



Net Zero Carbon Strategy

In July the Trust Board agreed that we would pursue achieving a Net Zero Carbon position by 2035. The 'ambitions' document is reproduced separately.

There is limited joined-up work in this area in the compulsory schools' sector and as a small Trust we aim to demonstrate how schools can be highly effective in both education and resource use and management to bring about lasting emissions reduction, for positive climate impact.

We recognise that a great deal of work is required for us to achieve our ambitions, but we have to start somewhere. And we have to start.

We are working in partnership with enFrame, a CIC, to determine our strategy, and our response. An example of this is that from October, all energy used in the Trust will be either from renewable sources or fully carbon-offset.

The Trust has appointed a strategic energy partner, Veolia, who will provide us with the specialist technical knowledge, experience and skills/services required to implement an estate wide de-carbonisation programme across the three schools in our Trust.

We are in discussion with groups that work directly with schools, to support learning and teaching about climate and sustainability, including how we might secure accreditation for our staff and those involved in governance, through the Carbon Literacy Trust. We have engaged with the Green Schools Project in the first instance, and are mapping sustainability and environmental learning in the schools' curricula.

The Trust kicks off its ambitions for a net zero future on 15 October 2021 with a non-uniform day raising money for tree planting to offset carbon emissions, led by pupils and students from the three schools.