

St Patrick's RC High School



Climate Action Plan

At St Patrick's R.C. High School, we recognise that climate change is one of the most significant challenges facing our planet. Rising temperatures, extreme weather, and threats to biodiversity remind us that urgent action is needed to protect our common home — both locally and globally.

As a community guided by our Roman Catholic values of truth, resilience, service, love, and faith, we believe it is our duty to care for God's creation and to act as responsible stewards of the environment. This Climate Action Plan sets out our school's commitment to reducing our environmental impact, promoting sustainable habits, and inspiring students to lead positive change.

Through collective effort — involving students, staff, parents, and the wider community — we aim to reduce carbon emissions, cut waste, conserve energy, and enhance biodiversity on our school grounds. Every small action contributes to a larger purpose: protecting the world for future generations.

Together, as the St Patrick's family, we will work towards building a greener, fairer, and more hopeful future.

Our action plan is currently in audit stage and we have RAG rated the various areas of action below.

Our next steps will be to identify our goals and priorities, identify our actions and then measure our success.

Energy Usage

Current rating: Green
LED lighting replacement programme in progress
Monitoring of energy usage being recorded monthly

Water Usage

Current rating: Amber
Motion sensors on some taps
Regular checks for leaks undertaken by Site Management team

Procurement

Current rating: Amber
Carbon footprint and environmental credentials of some service providers is known
Opportunities to offset carbon footprint are taken when practicable

School Site

Current rating: Red
Limited areas of biodiversity in the school grounds

Waste

Current Rating: Amber
Sorting of waste takes place once waste has been taken from site
School supplies swap shop set up to reduce waste

Transport

Current Rating: Amber
School buses are available and well used reducing traffic
Many students walk to school

Culture

Current Rating: Amber
Eco club has been running for some time
Posters have been displayed to provide information on sorting waste

Curriculum

Current Rating: Amber
Geography curriculum looks at the U N sustainable development goals
Teaching staff and SLT have sustainability responsibilities