

Session 5:

How can we keep
making a difference?



Guardians of Creation



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Today's prayer



Dear God,

All-powerful and ever-loving God, we thank you for the gift that is creation. We see your wonder and grace in everything from the smallest seed to the mightiest tree.


As we celebrate your beautiful creation, the Earth, fill us with hope and love as we cultivate a sustainable future through our work.

Praise be to you!

Amen

So far, *we've learned*



- 
- What Laudato Si' means and the key ideas Pope Francis gives us in his letter
 - Planned and started our projects to care for our common home
 - Reflected on what we're grateful for as we progress with our projects

Activity: Imagining an Eco-School



- Imagine your school in 5 years winning an award for being the most environmentally friendly school in the country
- What changes have taken place in this time for your school to reach this achievement?

Here are some areas to consider:

- Energy
- Food production
- Education
- Spirituality
- Transport
- School uniforms
- Technology
- Nature
- Waste and recycling

- Make a drawing of your eco-school- be as creative and colourful as you'd like!

Imagining an eco-school



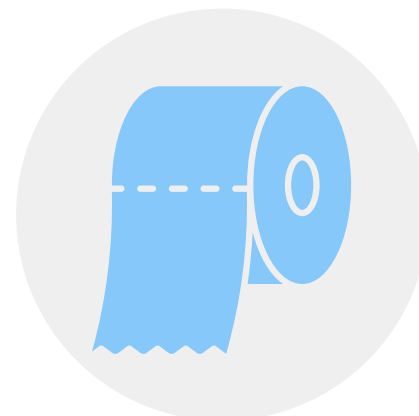
Renewable energy



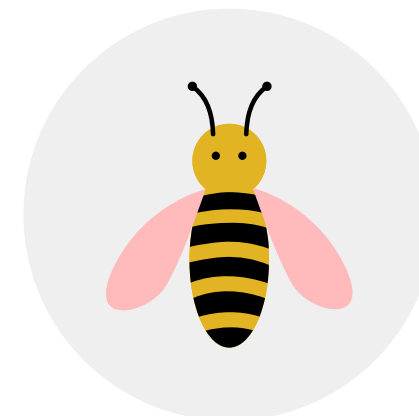
Bringing nature indoors



Outdoor worship



Compost toilets



Beekeeping



Eco-curriculum



Garden to grow food



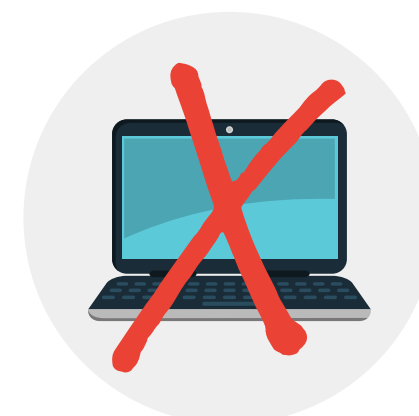
Carpooling groups



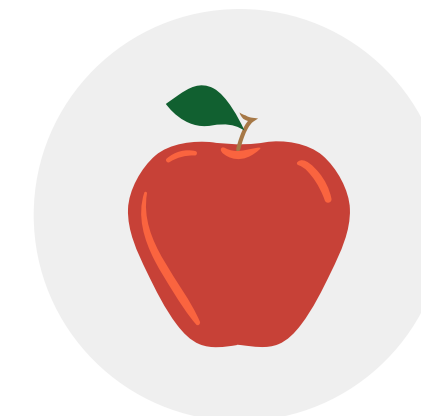
Zero-waste school



Sourcing food locally



Technology-free classroom



Plant-based menus



Second-hand uniforms



On-site recycling



Planning your presentation

- Maximum of 5 minutes
- Slides are optional
- Everyone must contribute!

What should we include?



Consider- What did you do?

- What did you do to care for our common home?

Aim- Why did you do it?

- Link this to Laudato Si'
- Why is this topic important in your school?

Respond- How did you do it?

- What went well?
- Did you face any barriers/problems?

Evaluate- What will you do next?

- Think about the long-term impacts for your school



Activity: Planning your presentation



- **Report back on your progress since the last session**

- Has everyone completed their allocated tasks?
- Is there anything you still need to complete to finish your project?

- **Begin planning your presentation**

- Use the C.A.R.E. model to address the presentation's key questions

- **Summarise your goals to achieve by the next session**

- Equally divide the responsibilities between the members of your group

Reflection: Faith and the climate



- Read the extract from 'Laudato Si' on your worksheet
- What is Pope Francis saying here? Summarise his argument in your own words.
- Reflect on the role of your beliefs in responding to climate change
 - Is religion important in addressing climate change? Why/why not?