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INSPIRING YOUNG PEOPLE TO LOOK AFTER OUR WORLD

TAKE PART IN THE PRIMARY AWARDS FOR GREEN EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS 2024

The Primary Awards for Green Education In Schools (PAGES) 2024 are now open for entries. YPTE's awards for excellence in environmental education are open to all primary schools in the United Kingdom. You don't have to do lots of extra work to take part. You can simply tell us about the environmental work you already do at your school. You can watch our new two-minute [promo video here!](#)

With a prize fund worth £15,000 and 48 prizes available, including £2,000 for the UK Champions, it's well worth taking part. What's more, it's free to take part and all of your entry material can be uploaded. [Find out more from here.](#)

If you're stuck for ideas, you can check out our [Curriculum Guides](#), which provide lots of inspiration. You could also use participation in [Better Planet Schools](#) (see overleaf) to form the basis of your entry.



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BOOK A FREE ONLINE TALK FOR YOUR SCHOOL

YPTE offers free online talks on a wide range of environmental issues to schools throughout the UK. They are consistently rated 'excellent' by teachers and are offered free of charge to schools.

Talks last around an hour for Key Stage 2 and above, or around 40 minutes for Key Stage 1.

We also offer talks for secondary schools up to sixth form level.

Our talks can be delivered on Zoom, Google Meetings or Microsoft Teams.

You can find out more by visiting

<https://ypete.org.uk/content/free-school-talks/>

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MAKE YOURS A BETTER PLANET SCHOOL!



Better Planet Schools is our online environmental education platform for primary schools in the UK. How you engage with it is really flexible. You can use our suggested activities to plan for your school's Eco Club, and there are comprehensive sets of lessons that can be delivered in class time - if your timetable permits.

A big thank you to St Andrew's Junior School, Hadfield, Derbyshire for sending in a photo (right) of the notice board they are using to promote Better Planet Schools to their children.

And big congratulations to the children of Trinity St Mary's C of E VA Primary School, South Woodham Ferrers, Essex, who have won a renewable energy kit education pack for their school as a result of their work on the energy saving module last term!

Better Planet Schools is all about child-led behaviour change, arranged in 10-12 week, term-length 'modules' on a range of topics, including saving energy; climate change and flooding; fast fashion; plastics and encouraging nature and biodiversity in the school grounds. Pilot schools saved at least 10% of their annual energy usage through implementing the measures suggested in the energy saving module.

We already have nine modules available and schools submitting reports on their work are entered into a draw to win prizes at the end of each term.

We have a lot of **FREE PLACES** available and our team are on hand to help guide you through the process. To find out more, please visit <https://www.betterplanetschools.org.uk/schools>



FANTASTIC OPPORTUNITY FOR STUDENTS AGED 16+ TO JOIN OUR YOUNG TRUSTEE BOARD

Ypte has a board of Young Trustees, who are all aged between 16 and 24. They act as advisers to the Director and the Board of Trustees on the environmental issues that matter most to young people. Our Young Trustees meet online every two months to discuss new ideas for projects. They are also becoming increasingly involved in the charity's social media, creating posts and reels to help us spread our message to new audiences.

We have opportunities for more Young Trustees to join us. Application is via a simple Google form, which can be found here:

<https://forms.gle/DaBoWLkpXyWBrem46>



Charlie and Charlotte, two of our Young Trustees, recently represented Ypte at the TfL Youth Panel Launch Event at the London Transport Museum

<https://ypte.org.uk>