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Dear Bishop Steven Croft,

We are writing to you following our recent learning about climate change. This January, our school had a whole-school climate change event with a motto of '*Be the Change!*'. We learnt about the causes of climate change and were also shocked to hear about the devastating effects it is having all over the world, including: flooding, droughts, wildfires and tropical storms. As a result, we have decided that something needs to be done!

Humans are causing serious, irreversible damage to our world and we need to act urgently before it is too late. At school, we have agreed lots of ways that we can be the change, such as reducing our use of plastics, but we have realised that this problem needs a bigger solution. We have been thinking about people who are climate activists, or who are in a position to be able to help us make a bigger change. We were really inspired by watching the video of you speaking in the House of Lords. You are a key person that we think can help us in our fight to change the world and we would love for you to recognise and respond to our action.

We have attached a selection of the posters that we've made to inform our local community (Kingsmere, Bicester) about the issue of emissions and how people can help. We would love for you to help us to share them.

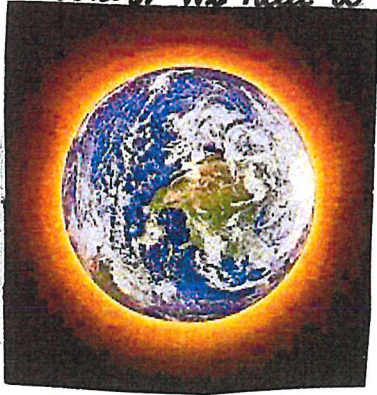
Thank you for reading our letter. We hope that we will hear back from you and that you will be able to help us act on this as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

Year 5

BE THE CHANGE!

What is the problem?



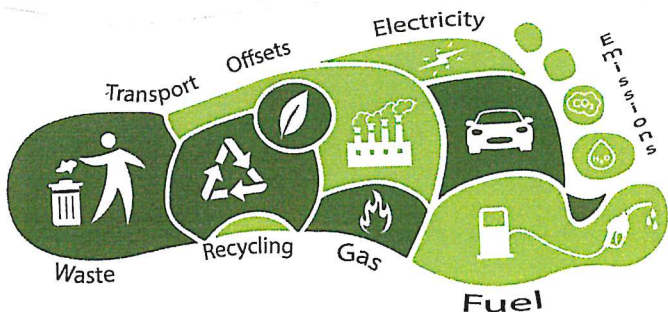
Firstly, we need to change how we live our life. Because of us, our carbon footprint (a carbon footprint is how much emissions we cause) our planet is suffering due to climate change. These are because of emissions - emissions are the releasing of greenhouse gas heating the atmosphere. This must stop! The climate change is causing devastating effects like sea levels are rising because ice caps are melting. Horrific Hurricanes, Terrifying Typhoons and Scary Cyclones are forming due to emissions. This is frightening so end emissions now!

Changes must happen!

We, the people of Kingsmead, can change by making a small difference to our lives. There are multiple differences we can make that aren't huge such as:

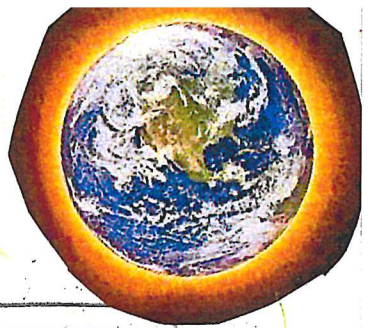
- use less vehicles because of petrol and/or diesel due to emissions.

- only buy what you need because if you waste factory's need to produce more.
- If you leave the room to turn the light off because then we waste electricity.
- Try to eat less red meat and eat it once a week.
- only use heating in winter, and make use of jumpers and blankets.



BE THE CHANGE!

STOP Emissions!!!



What is the problem?

The problem is emissions — the releasing of greenhouse gases into the atmosphere. You're probably wondering what greenhouse gases are now. Greenhouse gases are a type of gas that warms the Earth's atmosphere by trapping heat. We must improve our carbon footprint — carbon footprint is a person's total amount of emissions based on their actions. This is devastating our planet by rising sea levels. They can ruin our planet by rising over islands and destroying homes. More storms and natural disasters — can also destroy homes by volcanoes starting in the sea or out of the sea. Melting ice caps can ALSO destroy islands so is there's more than 2 reasons to why there's homes being destroyed we must stop now!



What can WE do?

We, the people of kingsmere can help to be the change by turning your TV cable off and use less paper by drawing lightly. We ALL can make a change by only using your heating when you have to... like in winter and blankets in the summer. A few other reasons are recycling and using less plastic like pen lids on other pens and water bottles. Walk, scoot or bike to school or your local shop because driving is not worth it! on your bike you can smell the smell of flowers and look at the

beautiful scenery. Traveling uses alot of gas from cars so try to rent a electric car. Just to mention biking also uses 0% usage gas.



STOP EMISSIONS

THERE'S NO
PLANET B

NOW!



What are Emissions?

Emissions are a source of energy like you carbon fibre polluting the air in many ways, such as the greenhouse effect, this is the way greenhouse gases such as carbon dioxide help heat up a planet. It happens naturally on every planet with an atmosphere, but to different extents



Why are they a problem?

They are a problem because they are polluting our planet and changing the weather plan weather plan. (causing storms) and sea levels rise also this from problem causes the ^{air} to get hotter, makes the ocean warmer which makes storms such as hurricanes, cyclones and typhoons.

How to be the change

To help the planet you can try to reduce the amount of meat you eat. Also Reuse all plastics (as in bottles, bags (take a bag from last trip to the shops)) Make sure you recycle plastic!



stop eating my friend

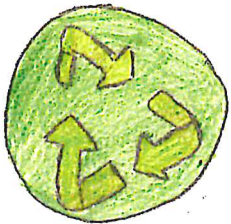


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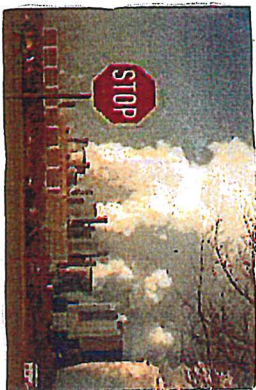
Be the Change



The ice keep melting, so people can use less air-conditioning.

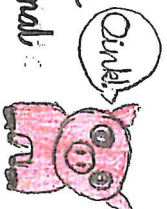


Don't put the trash in the ocean, because it will make the oceans very dirty.

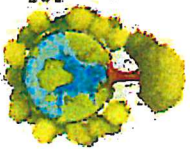


Don't waste any food, because food is very important.

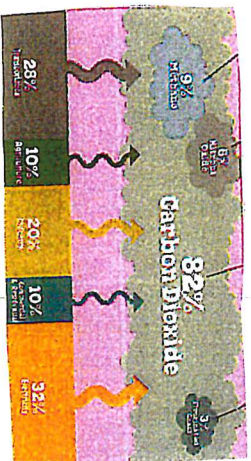
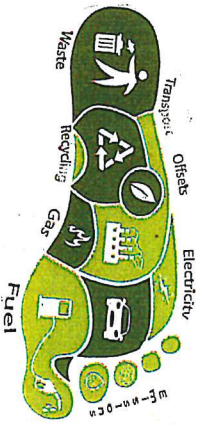
Eat less meats and eat more vegetables, because we need to kill a lot of animals to get meats.



**REDUCE
REUSE
RECYCLE**



When you go out the room you need to turn off the light, if there's no one in the room.

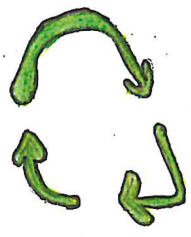


Say No to Emissions!



What are emissions?

Emissions are the releasing of greenhouse gases into the atmosphere. The emissions are making the world even hotter and hotter every year. Greenhouse gassers are making the emissions. To make there be less Greenhouse gass in the air we could use less fossil fuels.



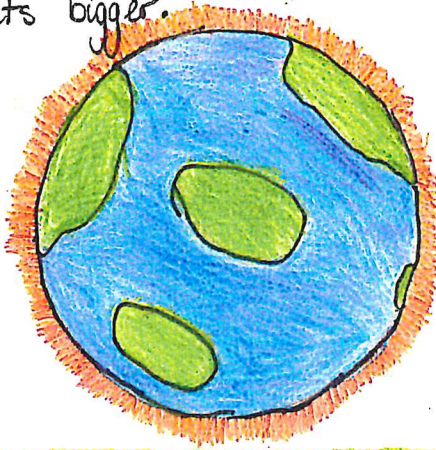
Why are they a problem?

They are a problem because it is making the earth hotter causing the ice to melt and the polar bears the penguins habitats to melt and it also makes the sea levels to rise by about 85% in the past couple of years it is also breaking the ozone lat.



What can we do?

We could recycle more, go in the car less and plane. Cool down your home, use less fossil fuels or burn fossil fuels. Red. meat makes your carbon footprints bigger.



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