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Chester School Says Hy to Climate Change

Pupils learn about climate change, and HyNet, at Huntington Community Primary School 'Climate Neutral Now' celebration.

Children at Huntington Community Primary School, on the outskirts of Chester, are, this week, hosting their annual 'Climate Neutral Now' celebration. The event focuses on learning about climate change, in addition to activities teaching pupils how they can contribute to reducing their impact on the planet.

These activities include reducing the amount of paper used at school, recycling of materials and raising money to offset their yearly electricity consumption.

As well as achieving their bronze award from the UNCCC, the children were visited by John Egan, Regional Manager at HyNet, who came along to discuss the decarbonisation project and the impact of climate change in the North West and North Wales.

HyNet is an energy infrastructure project aiming to decarbonise the North West and North Wales through carbon capture and storage and the use of hydrogen as a replacement for fossil fuels. The HyNet project will create over 6,000 jobs in the region, preserve many skilled jobs and provide apprenticeships and other opportunities.

Huntington Community Primary School hold environmental education as a key element of learning, with the school having their own eco-council and Forest School area for pupils.

Duncan Rose, Headteacher at Huntington Community Primary School said:

'Doing our bit to tackle the Climate Emergency we're living in is vital both globally and locally, here in Huntington. Raising awareness amongst our pupils of the importance of taking care of the planet is a key message for 21st century education, so we were delighted to be joined by HyNet North West this year, to learn about how they will decarbonise our region.'

John Egan, Regional Manager at HyNet said:

"It was fantastic to meet the pupils and explain what we are doing across the North West and North Wales. They are the generation who will be living with the impact of what we do to tackle climate change now and will be those who will lead, and grow, the HyNet project into the future."

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About HyNet North West

HyNet North West is a low carbon energy project at the forefront of the UK's journey to a Net Zero future, being developed by a consortium of world-leading organisations. From 2025, HyNet North West will produce, store and distribute hydrogen as well as capturing and storing carbon. It will decarbonise the North West of England and North Wales through the creation of state of-the-art infrastructure.

This game-changing project has the potential to reduce carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions by 10 million tonnes every year by 2030 – the equivalent of taking four million cars off the road. HyNet North West will create and maintain thousands of local jobs, as well as enable long-term sustainability for businesses and financial security for communities across the region. The HyNet North West consortium includes Progressive Energy, Cadent, Essar, INOVYN, Eni, University of Chester, Vertex Hydrogen, CF Fertilisers, Viridor and Hanson.

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