

Script

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2018 – 8.3 billion metric tons of plastic produced... Set to triple by 2050 (damianos,2023)

A shocking statistic that can be changed by our own efforts.

In the UK opportunities have been made to improve the recycling process in our homes. Slogans such as 'reduce, reuse, recycle' have been promoted to pique people's interest, and as a result the recycling rate had risen from 44.6% in 2015 to 45.2% in 2016 (Lucy, 2018).

We encourage our learners to think about sustainability through themes and activities linked to the four purposes. The Darwin Centre provides experiences in looking after the local area (Pembrokeshire Coast National Park, n.d.). Local schools can gain accreditation by winning a sustainable schools award scheme. 3 levels can be acquired, if schools reach a gold level, they are awarded acorns as a reflection of their efforts and strides towards future progression (www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk, 2017).

Wales as a nation have been applauded for their efforts when it comes to recycling. 5 counties in Wales including Pembrokeshire have already exceeded the target set by the Welsh government to meet a 70% recycling rate by 2024/25 (gov.wales, 2023).

According to news.uscb.edu In March 2022, more than 175 nations agreed to develop the international legally binding treaty to end plastic pollution. A treaty called the Paris climate agreement looks in-depth at how plastics are produced, also looking at design and disposal. The treaty began in 2022 with the hope of an agreement being formed by 2024 (Sterling publishing company,2021, pg 8) .

The UK government have taken positive action to help reduce the use of single use plastics in the UK, e.g. reducing the circulation of plastic bags. The government is committed to end plastic waste by the end of 2024 (Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs, 2021).
But the question is – Can the government do more?

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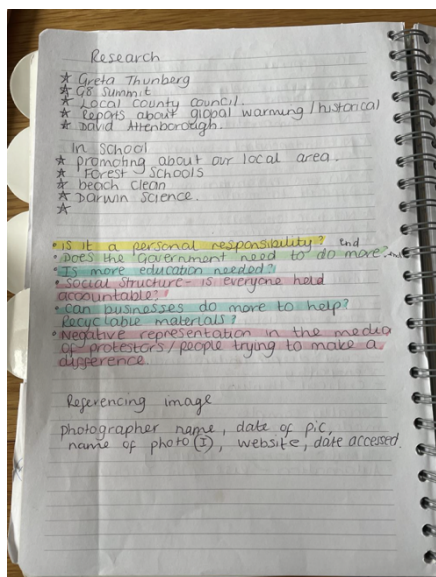
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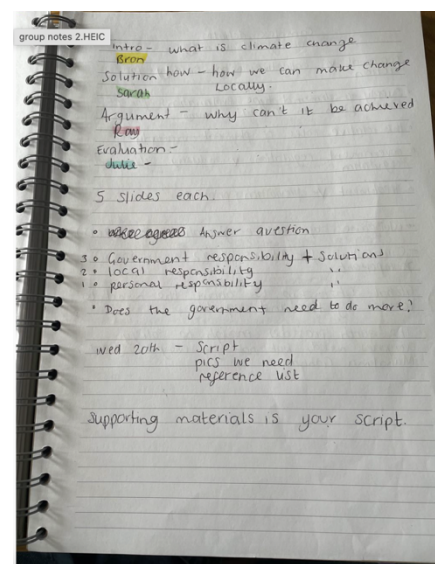
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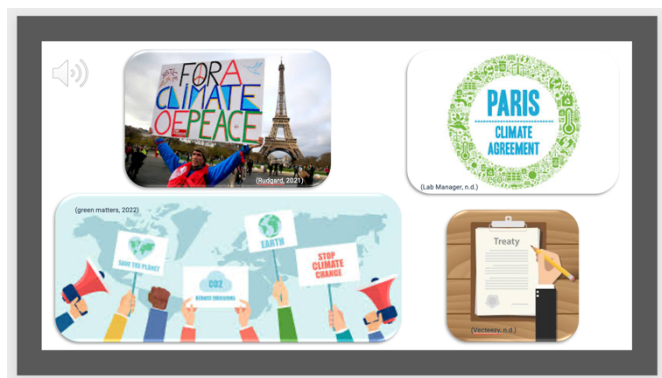
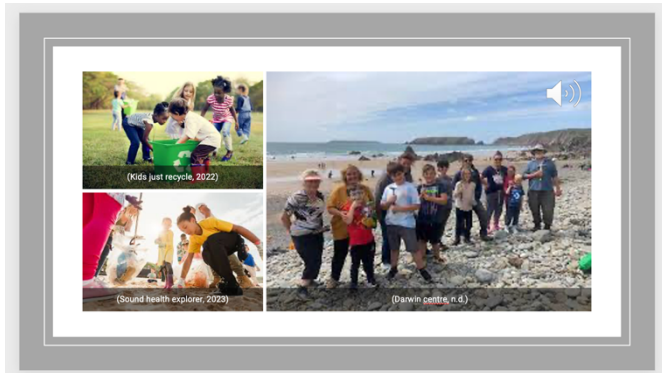
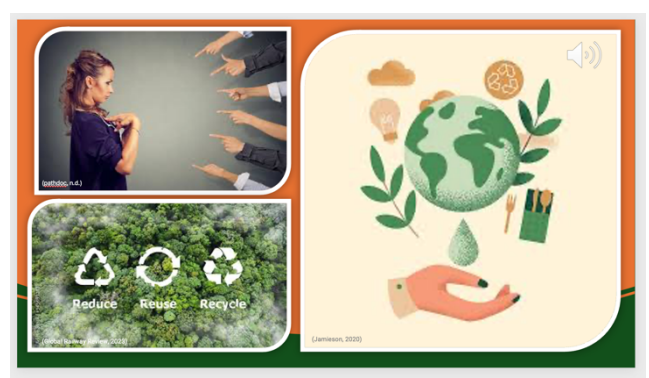
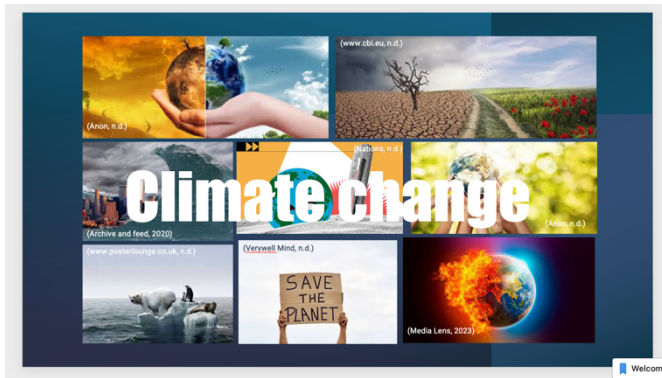
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Supporting group notes





My supporting slides for the group presentation