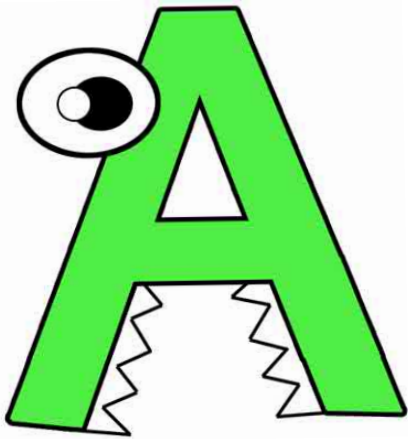


What if...we could embed climate action in Education

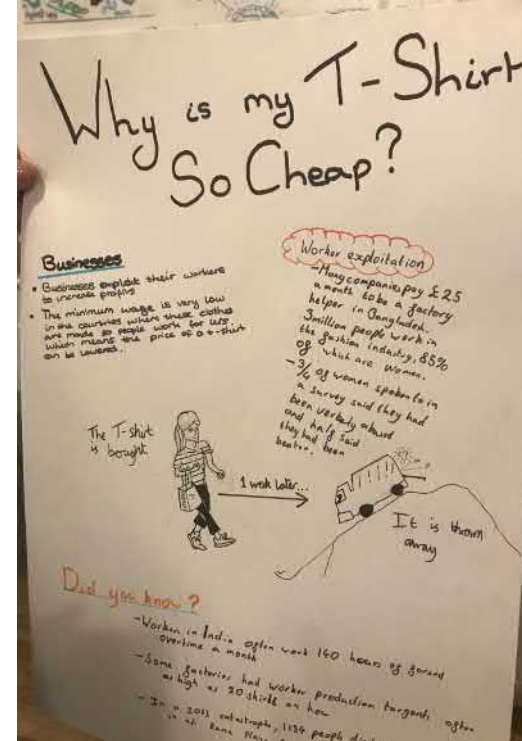


And our education system was not based on teaching standardisation and conformity, but nurturing individuality, imagination and creativity? Imagine that

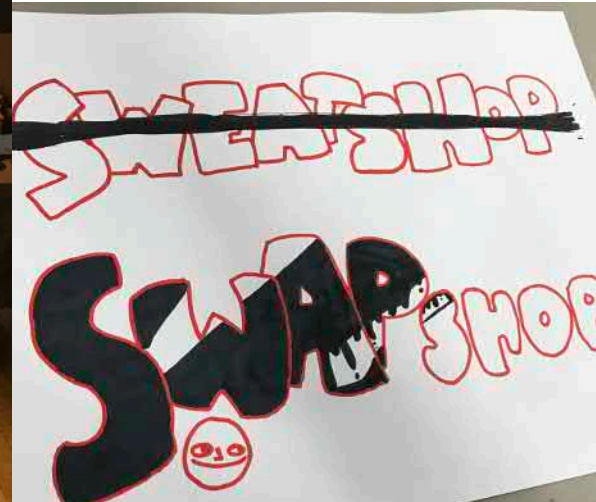
our kid's education involved grappling with questions that mattered to them, and solving problems that felt relevant? Imagine our kids learned other people's history, and that it helped them find common ground with others?

Swop shops not sweat shops!

What if all schools followed Acland Burghley's lead and set up a hoodie swop shop rail?



**Logo designed by Sustainers:
Acland Burghley school.**



If you would like advise how to set up a swop shop rail in your child's school contact: debbiebourne21@gmail.com



What if you helped run a one-off workshop at your local school: “**How can we stop fast fashion from destroying the planet?**”

This 90 minute workshop was co-hosted with 4 local schools in phase 1 of

Think&Do: Parliament Hill/William Ellis/Acland Burghley/La Sainte Union

Before the workshop all students split into 5 groups to prepare a 5 minute speech on **one** of the following 5 topics:

1. **Why is my t-shirt so cheap?** Workers rights/worker exploitation. Low wages and unsafe conditions. 80% of the world's garment workers are women. In 2013, 1,138 people lost their lives when Rana Plaza clothing factory in Bangladesh collapsed. Worker earnings: Discuss why workers in Bangladesh only earn only half a dollar an hour?
2. **What are my clothes made of?** Cotton farming is the largest consumer of water. It is used in 40 percent of all clothing worldwide. Since it takes about **2,700 litres** of water to make just one t-shirt, that means a huge amount of the world's clean water is being concentrated in the textile industry. What is a sustainable fabric?
3. **How many new clothes and shoes do I need?** Let's discuss our throwaway culture. Is the fact that Pretty Little Things website listed an incredible 284 new items in today, a good thing?
4. **What does branding mean to me?**
How do I feel about being used to promote someone else's brand? Where is my identity in this? Is social media influencing a good thing?
5. **Global emissions.** The likely climate change impacts of clothing market may rise as high as 25% of all global emissions by 2050. Textile industry emits more green house gases each year than all international flights and shipping. What can we do to stop this?

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What if you helped set up a Sustainers group at your local school?

The Sustainers are a group of students who take a lead on developing sustainability in their schools



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sign here

THE SUSTAINERS

CALLING ALL YEAR 8 & 9'ERS...

Wanna help to make your school and local area more sustainable?

Got any ideas for eco-projects; from street art to setting up a phone-fixing hub, solar panels to meat-free munchies?

IF SO, CAMDEN COUNCIL NEEDS YOU!

Join **THE SUSTAINERS**, a pioneering pilot project for a selected group of school in the borough

First meeting at Camden Council offices in Pancras square:

APRIL 2 | 2-4PM

COME AND SHOW US WHAT CAN BE DONE...
WE ARE PUTTING THE POWER INTO YOUR HANDS!

FOR MORE INFO CONTACT:



Pick a Sustainability project within the areas of food/fashion/ reduction of single use plastic/rewilding/energy/travel/pollution...



What if school students got involved lobbying the council and beyond and taking an active role in influencing policy?

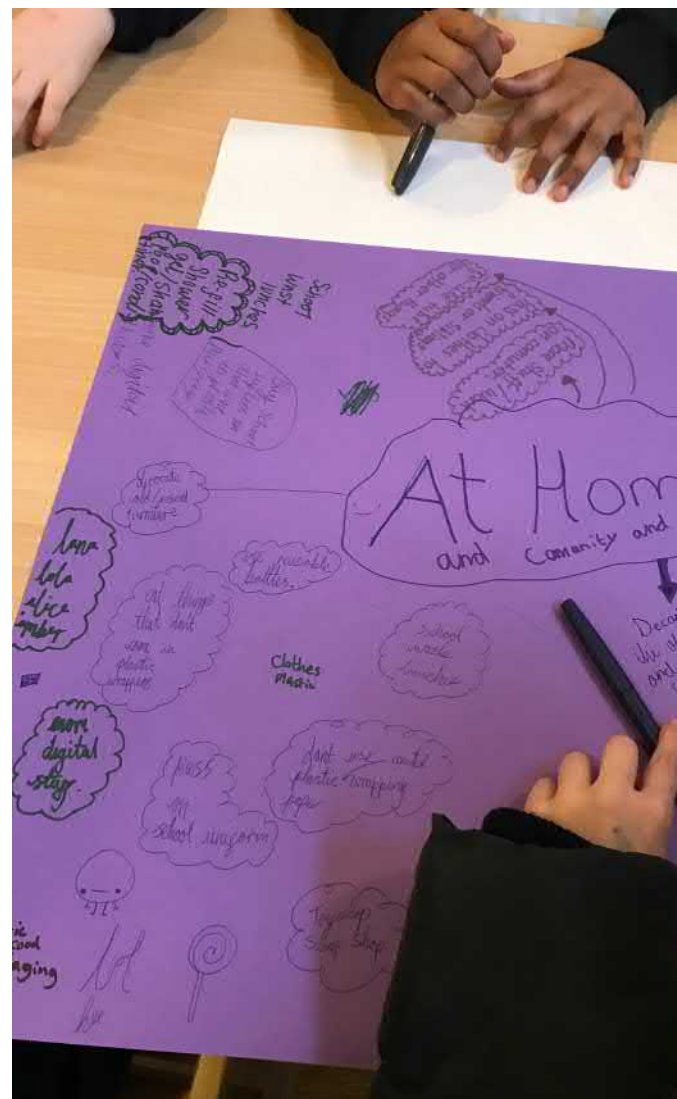
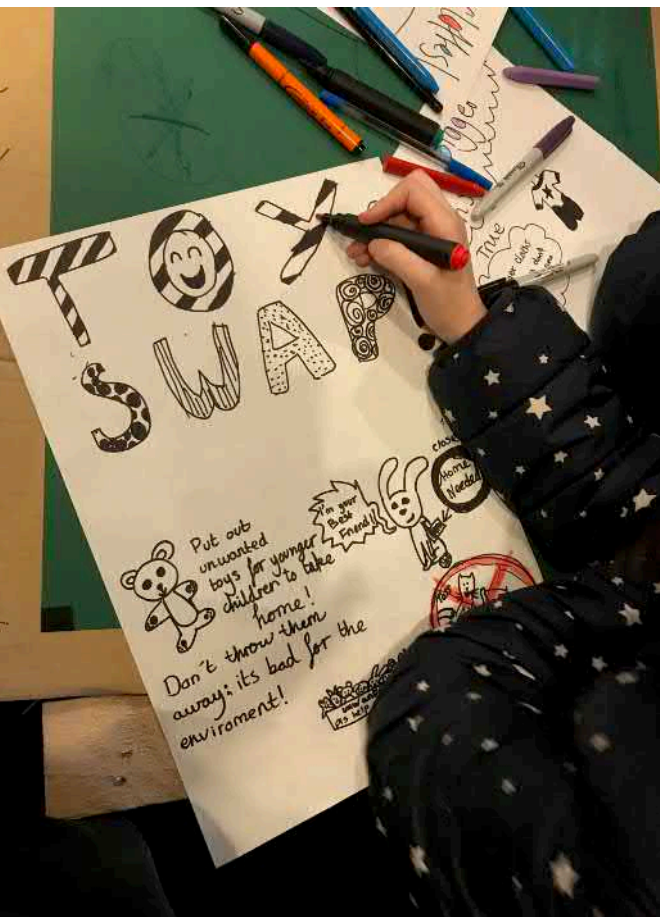
During the summer 2019, **The Sustainers** were invited to join the wider consultation process around the Camden's Citizen's Assembly on the climate crisis. One of the outcomes was the **formal** request to full Council of four key Sustainer asks:

- **Ban of single-use plastic from schools by 2020**
- **Introduction of meat-free meals, at least two days a week.**
- **Sustainability embedded throughout the school curriculum**
- **All Camden schools to take significant steps to become as energy efficient as possible (both on conservation and generation) within two years.**



Here's a picture of Harerta and Gabrielle from La Sainte Union on the front cover of the Camden New Journal after they delivered their demands to full council in October 2019. Bravo the Sustainers!

What if primary schools started to engage kids in climate action? Think&Do are developing a 'Best Practice' project with Brookfield School. If you would like to know more of start your own primary school climate action group contact: genogle@yahoo.com





What if we formed a climate emergency action group to encourage all LB Camden schools to declare a Climate and Ecological emergency and come up with a meaningful action plan, like Morpeth College, in Hackney.