



Sustainability around



North Sea Schools' Sustainability Network

- Aim: To create a Sustainability Network for schools around the North Sea
- Project for 11 to 14 age range to start up the network began on 1 October 2007
- Comenius funding of €80,500 was obtained for this project for October 2007 to July 2009
- Schools from 4 countries are involved in the project





Sustainability Around the North Sea

This Partnership focuses on a dialogue about environmental changes around the North Sea, and how individual choices can have an effect on the environment.



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Pupils will learn how they can participate in a democratic process through school or class councils.

This will emphasise the importance of citizenship and enable them to take an active role in the care of their local environment.





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Partner schools are situated around the North Sea, covering data points in the North, South, East and West.

Pupils will work together to collect and share evidence of environmental changes from different regions around the North Sea.

They will have an active, ongoing dialogue with each of the partners to share ideas and recommendations.



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The North Sea Commission will act as an official Associate Partner in the project.

This will enable the project schools to work with local or regional politicians to learn what is being done locally to increase sustainable practices.





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The project culminates in a final conference in Suffolk on 1 to 4 June 2009, in which pupils, teachers, politicians and environmental specialists will take part.



The project aims to start off a North Sea Schools' Sustainability Network, which will attract other schools around the North Sea to shadow the project and eventually to join the network.





Project partners

- Saxmundham Middle School: Saxmundham, Suffolk, England (Lead partner)
- Nordsee-Gymnasium-Büsum: Büsum, Schleswig-Holstein, Germany
- Teinå Skole: Stavanger, Rogaland, Norway
- Kannik Skole: Stavanger, Rogaland, Norway
- Donibristle Primary School: Dalgety Bay, Fife, Scotland
- Inverkeithing High School: Inverkeithing, Fife, Scotland
- Ecole Primaire Warlus: Lille, Nord Pas de Calais, France



The North Sea Commission's role in the project

We would like NSC members to take an interest and become actively involved in the project

Regions involved:

- Politician and officer to link with a school in the project
- Expert input where this can be provided





The North Sea Commission's role in the project

Monitor progress through:

- reports to Executive Committee;
- reports to the IEG and SDG;
- observation of project website

Attendance at:

- project meetings
- final conference (political input?)



The North Sea Commission's role in the project

Dissemination of project work and results
to organisations in own region(s)

Encouragement for other schools to join
the Network





What next?

A network for primary schools

- Focus on sustainability and food
- Bid for Comenius funding to be submitted by end of January 2008
- If successful, start in September 2008

A network for the 16 to 19 age range?



First project meeting in Stavanger, October 2007





Project website

Currently at:

www.explorer.org.uk

Eventually at:

www.northseaschools.org

