## **Y5 Climate Change Newsletter**

Year 5 have been learning about some of the causes and consequences of climate change and the responsibility both governments and individuals share in reducing global warming. They participated in a Zoom presentation with the Climate Vulnerable Forum from Bangladesh in which Lamia Mohsin explained the devastating impact of climate change on the country and people's livelihoods. They decided they wanted to take action themselves in the community to try to raise awareness of the issues. They carried banners and chanted slogans to inform the public about the issues they felt were important. Drivers tooted in support whilst pedestrians and people walking in the park smiled and clapped as the children marched. Here are some of the comments the children have made and an example of the persuasive letter they have been writ-





ing to try to help our school become more environmentally friendly.

Lamia talked to us about how climate change affects her home in Bangladesh. We need to act now. Make our voices heard, stop climate change! Quinn J9

We stopped the public in their tracks to take action for climate change.

Annie J8

Places like Bangladesh and India are suffering from floods and deadly cyclones every two to three years. Climate change is making these more frequent even though Bangladesh is only responsible for 0.56% of the world's harmful emissions. Jay J9

Climate change has a devastating impact on our planet. It is sad of what is happening in Bangladesh because of the rising sea levels they can't grow their crops. Also, people need to leave their homes because of climate change and the flooding it is causing. We have to try to change things and stop this from happening. Furqaan J9



**ACT NOW AND STOP CLIMATE CHANGE!** Oliver J9

There are lots of causes of climate change, and therefore there are lots of catastrophic effects. This half-term we have been learning about what we can do to save our planet.

In English this half-term we've been doing our part to stop climate change by writing persuasive letters to Taylor Shaw (the people who cook our school dinners). We wrote to ask them to provide a meat-free day. We have also been learning about the devastating effects on animals and the natural world. We showed this by producing pieces of writing about displaced animals.

In Y5, we have been raising awareness in other ways, as we went to the park to do a climate march. We made posters and banners decorated with inspiring pictures and slogans. We practised chants to communicate our points to the public. On the 10<sup>th</sup> of June all of year 5 went out to Endcliffe Park to convince the local community to alter their lifestyles for the better.

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**Taylor Shaw** 

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Dear Taylor Shaw,

I am writing to request that you reduce your plastic waste. As you no doubt know, climate change is the number one problem facing our planet. You state on your website that you value the wellbeing of children. Therefore, you surely want to preserve the planet for future generations? Or are you too concerned about profit to care?

Did you know that the plastic you dispose of ends up in landfill? When this waste decomposes over time, it releases greenhouse gases into the atmosphere, heating up the Earth.

It is a fact that climate change will cause glaciers to melt. This means that low lying countries may be lost under the sea. Two thirds of the land in Bangladesh (a country in Southern Asia) is only five metres above sea level! And by 2050, 11% of the land may be lost under the sea.

It is scientifically proven that climate change will mean extreme weather events may become more frequent. This means more men, women and *children* will not have enough food to survive.

As any reasonable person would agree, we must all take action to slow climate change. You can simply reduce your plastic waste. This would mean that fewer greenhouse gases would be released into the atmosphere.

Do you want to see the world perish before your eyes?

Kind regards,