# Class of 2025



# Carbon Literate Educator



The Carbon Literacy Project

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# Carbon Literate Educator





# **CLE** scheme

A Carbon Literate Educator (CLE) is an educational institution which has been accredited by The Carbon Literacy Project (CLP) as having substantial understanding of, commitment to and experience with Carbon Literacy®.

- Committed to Carbon Literacy (CL)
- Having a substantial number of Carbon Literate people
- Supporting its Carbon Literate staff and students whilst instilling and maintaining a low-carbon culture
- Positively **utilising its influence** in the community and wider world

"Carbon Literacy is an essential skill for any student to be properly prepared for the world of work and to thrive in a 21st century society. But CLEs are not only great educators. CLEs run great organisations, taking responsibility for their own carbon impacts."

Dave Coleman, Co-Founder and Managing Director of The Carbon Literacy Project









# Schools



# Colleges







# **Universities**









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# Class of 2025 highlights



From Classroom to Campus: Carbon Literacy in action across Schools, Colleges, and Universities

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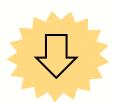
**Total Institutions** 

1 School | 3 Colleges | 4 Universities



**Total Carbon Literate Learners** 

~2,000+ Students & Staff



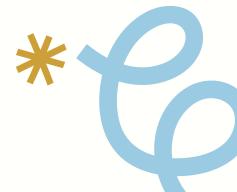
Carbon Saved

7206 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>e saved



Global Reach

England | Scotland | Australia



# **Initiatives across Institutes**

Student-led projects & eco clubs

Large-scale staff & student training

Curriculum integration

Research partnerships

Circular economy projects

Green skills development

Institution: School | Level: Bronze

# The Barlow RC High School

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Since implementing Carbon Literacy, **the school has two sustainability leads**; one focused on weaving sustainability into the curriculum, while the other focuses on non-curricular action.





Carbon Literacy is **embedded into Personal Development Lessons**, at the request of the school's eco club, which sits at the heart of the school's sustainability efforts



Many pupils have made a **group pledge to educate others** about climate change, such as being involved in training with local primary schools, or friends and families.

nts driving change

# **Spotlight story:**

Carbon Literacy has changed how the school thinks and acts, creating a sense of shared responsibility to reduce emissions. Sustainability has become a part of everyday thinking.







**Key achievement:** 



# System-wide change

from waste management to lesson planning, embedding sustainability into the school's DNA.

# Institution: College | Level: Gold

# Barnsley College

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Since 2022, Carbon Literacy has been embedded in the College's Sustainability Strategy, making low-carbon and sustainable action mainstream across the college.



The 2023 Carbon Literacy Action Day acted as a catalyst to instil a low-carbon culture into the college's identity. A record-shattering 800+ learners were trained, winning them the CLAD Catalyst Award.





Students are supported to fulfil their pledges and encouraged to develop their employability skills by becoming CL Facilitators.











# **Spotlight story:**

The college has pledged to be Net Zero by 2045 and has recently retrofitted its University Centre – a historic 93-year-old University Centre, once the Mining and Technical College – into a modern Institute of Technology, including around £5m worth of investment in low-carbon upgrades and technologies.



#### Impact by numbers:

1980+ Carbon Literate staff & students

5833kg saved through an office supplies-sharing hub



### Institution: College | Level: Bronze

# West Suffolk College

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### **Highlights**



Carbon Literacy training helped the **Executive Director** understand local climate impacts and solutions the college can take. With over 400 students in one of the country's driest areas, reducing water consumption was identified as a priority action.



The Assistant Principal has pledged to work with programme leads to embed climate change and Carbon Literacy into all courses. By embedding Carbon Literacy into the curriculum, students can support the college to achieve its Net Zero goals.



### Spotlight story:

Students have pledged to take a more active role as sustainability ambassadors. Others have been inspired to pursue environmental humanities studies at university to go on to green careers.









**Key achievement:** 



# Leadership impact

engaging senior leadership has resulted in embedding Carbon Literacy at a college-wide level

# Institution: College | Level: Bronze

# Fife College



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#### **Highlights**



Creating a **dedicated sustainability team** to deliver and facilitate climate ambitions.



Forming a cross-college climate action group to empower action such as **low-carbon catering**, **recycling of clothes** and **upskilling of colleagues**.

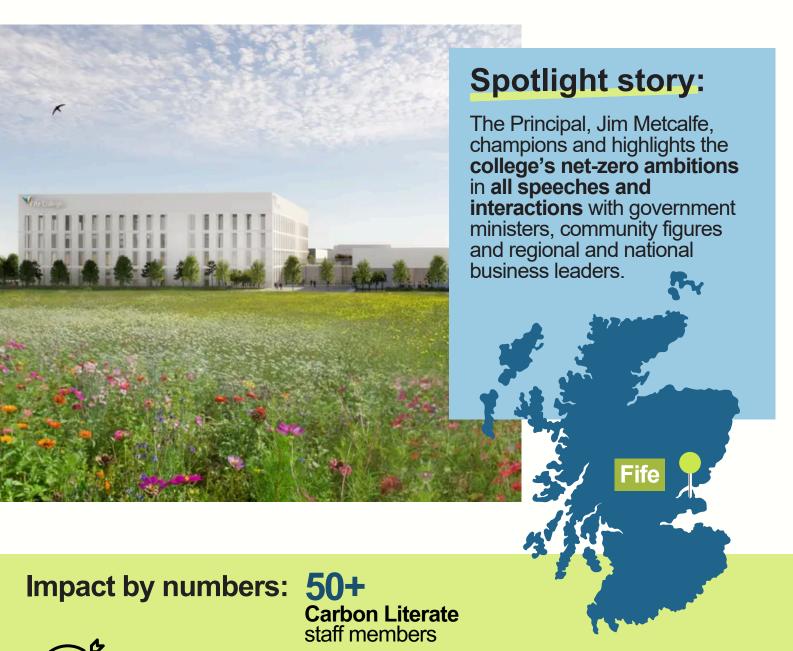




uture plans:

Pledged to deliver **Hydrogen 100 Training programme** (upskilling engineers to supply clean energy) at Levenmouth campus.

Aim to be the first Scottish educator with Gold CLE by 2029, embedded in the 5-year strategy



# Deakin Business School, Deakin University

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### **Highlights**



Carbon Literacy training has been woven into economics and management, as well as a core module in environmental sustainability for business.



They've seen a shift in behaviour, with changes in diets and transport methods and the use of renewable energy.





Through its two dedicated research centres and many projects with industry and government, they're helping to achieve a lowercarbon future.





Impact by numbers: 20+ Carbon Literate staff members have pledged to reduce their carbon footprint by an average of 4.5 tonnes CO₂e per year

> One-third of the Australian average!

# Swinburne University, School of Business, Law and Entrepreneurship

# Highlights <del>请</del>



The school's Carbon Literacy training team has led the Working Group on Climate Action in Business Schools to **run nine national** CL training sessions, equipping 84 professional staff and student leaders with essential knowledge and climate skills.



The university sources 100% renewable energy, led by the Procurement Sustainability team, which has 2 Carbon Literate members.









#### **Spotlight story:**

3 Carbon Literate staff have engaged with Swinburne's **Education Innovation Exchange program to** co-establish a teaching and learning hub, with an aim to embed sustainability into the core of Swinburne's education practice.

Melbourne

#### Impact by numbers:



100 tonnes CO26 saved through pledaes

equivalent to the annual carbon footprint of 5-7 Australians!



# Institution: University | Level: Bronze

# University of Chester

### **Highlights**



Carbon Literacy has been embedded in the student body. Two students developed and pitched the idea for a Dress Swap Shop, which another student, Yana, brought to life as the first Project Coordinator – running all events in 2024–25 and inspiring Lisa and Leanne to start a **Book Swap Shop**.





Students are supporting the delivery of Carbon Literacy training and pursuing Carbon Literacy Facilitator certification.

# **Spotlight story:**

The cultural shift extends across staff, with more and more Senior Leaders undertaking the training. One lecturer created mini regional 'COPs' with students as part of his module Critical Perspectives on Sustainability.











# **Building green skills**

Creating student projects at the Master's and Undergraduate levels around Carbon Literacy and green skills

Institution: University | Level: Bronze

# Royal Holloway, University of London



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#### **Highlights**



The **library team has been a key player in supporting Carbon Literacy training.** 3 members regularly deliver the Universities
Carbon Literacy Toolkit, and they have developed a reading list to
support participants on the course. They also promote Carbon
Literacy training through webinars to a number of library profession
networks, including the M25 consortium and Research Libraries UK.





The catering team are introducing **carbon labelling at university food outlets.** 



### **Spotlight story:**

Carbon Literacy training reached **20 external participants from other organisations**, who have gone on to deliver training within their own contexts – from church groups and theological colleges to theatre companies, FE colleges, and universities.





London

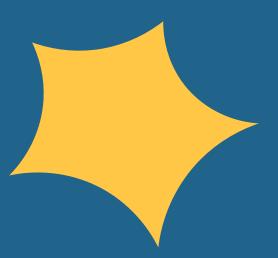
#### Impact by numbers:

100 Carbon Literate staff members 110 Carbon Literate students



a ripple effect as university members **spread Carbon Literacy** beyond the campus

# Get in touch



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**Carbon Literate Educator** 



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