

# York Sustainable Schools Network Newsletter

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## Events in York

It was lovely to see some of you at our schools' sharing event, as part of York Environment Weeks last half term.

To build on this network, we are aiming to host a **Sustainable Schools Conference** (at the University of York) in early July, so watch this space as plans develop. We would love to see as many schools there as possible.

For schools wishing to connect each half term, our next meeting (on Zoom) will take place on **Tuesday 26th November from 3:45 - 4:45**, using this Zoom link <https://york-ac-uk.zoom.us/j/94194904663?pwd=qdASmyf7EkhY9Zq7DtvjULsBstmKqR.1>

The **agenda** for this meeting is:

- Sharing ideas (schools invited to share one idea of something they do at school to promote sustainability, climate action or engagement with nature)
- Show your stripes
- Schools conference - what do you want?
- AOB

## In the community

### Action for Nature Day (Yorkshire Wildlife Trust)

Have you ever wished you could make your area better for wildlife? Be inspired by information stalls, presentations and practical workshops to develop your ideas, grow your knowledge and **Sunday 17 November 2024**. Programme starts at **12 noon** so feel free to arrive a little ahead of the start and get comfortable

**Tang Hall Community Centre**, Tang Hall Community Centre, York, YO31 0UG, York, North Yorkshire, YO31 0UG

<https://www.ywt.org.uk/events/2024-11-17-action-nature-day>

## Signposting potential funding for schools

**Woodland Trust** - Free trees for schools and communities. Supplying between 30- 420 tree sapling (multiple sizes and species to choose from). **Applications close 13th January 2025.**

<https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/plant-trees/schools-and-communities/>

### OVO Foundation Nature Prize

OVO Foundation and Let's GO Zero have teamed up to improve children and young people's access to nature and biodiversity. OVO Foundations 3 year project with Let's Go Zero will award 25 schools a year across the UK a cash prize of £1,000 or £200 for projects that bring their students closer to nature.

For a chance to win schools are asked to submit their ideas for projects. It is a bonus if these projects fall within the key areas identified by Let's Go Zero for effective carbon reduction: Nature, Food, Adaptation and Resilience, Water, Culture, and Waste.

**Entries close 25 November 2024**

<https://letszero.org/our-competitions/>