

# The life of trees around the world

Lycée Français Charles de Gaulle, London

Since 2018, the E3D Committee (*Établissement en Démarche de Développement Durable* – school with sustainable development approach) has been engaged at the Lycée Français Charles de Gaulle de Londres to raise awareness and to take action so as to reduce our school community's carbon footprint. LFCG's *éco-délégués* (eco-reps), pupils aged 11 to 18, believe it is both their right and their duty as eco-citizens to actively take part, at an individual and collective level, in the implementation of sustainable development within the Lycée and beyond. It is a commitment they are willing to make towards current and future generations. They have initiated proposals and practical actions helping raise common awareness and implement a greener life at the Lycée.



In that respect, they launched a code of conduct for the good use of copies. Driven by the E3D Committee, the school takes part in Earth Week every year, to raise awareness about the issue of climate disruption and its impact on environment.

## Naturalistic digital diaries

During the lockdown, a transdisciplinary project monitored by literature and biology teachers led pupils to create naturalistic digital diaries. In this combined exercise of poetry and eco-responsability pupils gave a voice to Hiroshima's cherry tree, Africa's baobab, and to the Thames riverside's weeping willow among others. Feel free to watch, read and listen to the trees' documented and dreamlike stories: [listen/watch the diaries](#). Pupils comment: *"This diary takes us on a journey in the environment we live in but pay little attention to. It unravels nature's mysteries and beauty while sharing the life of trees around the world. It teaches us so much about our world and about trees through stories of all styles. It is filled with wonderful tales teaching us about the world's frailty »*. Find all [pupils' comments here](#).

## 3500 trees

LFCG's eco-reps have also planted 3500 trees of various species in a London residential area. With time, these shoots will form a natural hedge shielding green spaces against the road's visual and noise disruption. To find out more, [click here](#)



## A monthly challenge

Recently, our éco-délégués have thrown a monthly challenge to the LFCG community (shared as wallpaper on each screen and posted on social media), so everyone can play their part in a collective action, each little step counts so everyone can feel involved.

See a sample of their challenges:

**CHALLENGE OF THE MONTH**  
NOVEMBER



READY FOR CHANGE?  
LET'S SAVE ENERGY!

As winter approaches :

-  I don't overheat my home
-  I turn off the lights
-  I switch appliances to standby mode

**The last 100 years saw global energy consumption increase 20-fold.**

SOURCE: ADEME

TOGETHER AGAINST GLOBAL WARMING!

**CHALLENGE OF THE MONTH**  
DECEMBER



READY FOR CHANGE?  
**LET'S OFFER SOMETHING DIFFERENT!**



I offer eco-responsible or second-hand gifts in reusable gift packaging!



Refuse, reduce, reuse, recycle!  
Principles outlining zero waste.

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**Each European produces about 500 kg of waste per year!**

SOURCE: EC.EUROPA.EU/EUROSTAT

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**CHALLENGE OF THE MONTH**  
JANUARY



READY FOR CHANGE?  
**I DON'T WASTE MY FOOD IN THE CANTEEN OR AT HOME!**



Every year in France, nearly **10 million tonnes of consumable food are wasted** (business & household waste), the equivalent of 150 kg per inhabitant per year.



France is committed to **reduce food waste by half by 2025**.

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**In our household waste, 20 kg per inhabitant per year of food waste, of which 7 kg of still unpacked food products !**

SOURCE: ADEME

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