

Carbon

National Sustainable Schools Conference Workshops

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Conference:	Leeds, 3rd th July 2009
Name of workshop:	Carbon a whole school approach
Workshop description:	
ESD which goes beyond guilt management and the privatisation of responsibility	
Conference themes which the workshop covered:	
Whole school approach – getting others on board; Carbon– a whole school approach; Linking to the global issues.	
Workshop audience:	
Workshop format:	
The session will be a dialogue.	
Workshop outputs:	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Carbon savings have to be set in context of sustainability – e.g. what is any money saved then spent on? Low carbon and sustainable not synonymous 2. ESD is currently based around ‘guilt management’ over resources and waste: a ‘do less harm’ framework 3. Getting people onboard an intellectually flawed scheme is problematical – more systemic approaches needed in the end 	
Related Resources:	
Ken Webster’s blog at http://www.senseandsustainability.com	
Related Web Resources:	

The Sustainable Development Commission has produced a publication *Carbon Emissions from Schools: Where they arise and how to reduce them*:

<http://www.sd-commission.org.uk/publications.php?id=765>

Teachernet highlights the importance of reducing carbon emissions from schools, and ways in which this can be achieved:

http://www.teachernet.gov.uk/sustainableschools/about/about_detail.cfm?id=89&levelselected=6

DCSF has produced Carbon Detectives, a pupil-orientated resource to explore the emissions of a school:

<http://www.carbondetectives.org.uk/content/home/index.html>

The Carbon Trust offers a free emissions survey for schools:

<http://www.carbontrust.co.uk/energy/assessyourorganisation/surveys-for-schools>

Salix Finance offers interest free loans to invest in energy saving products in schools:

<http://www.salixfinance.co.uk/loansscheme.html>

The Food for Life Partnership helps schools to reduce the carbon footprint of school food:

<http://www.foodforlife.org.uk/>