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Kids for Climate 2026

Children in 10 countries joined forces again to take action for our climate.

Kids from Austria, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Luxembourg, North Macedonia, Poland, Sweden and the United Arab Emirates are leading the way this year in climate action!

They're earning "Green Footprints" by choosing climate-friendly means of transport for their everyday journeys to school or kindergarten, eating local and organic food, and saving energy. These young people understand something vital: it's not just about convincing politicians at the UN climate summit, it's about every adult, everywhere, stepping up.

They're calling on all of us to turn priorities into real action, not just words. The stakes are high. We have to strengthen the rules now, if we don't want our children to pay the price for it, later.

Jalpa Ratna, UNICEF representative in Turkmenistan said:

"The ideas and actions of young people can help drive positive change. It can begin with one good question, one practical idea, one conversation with a friend, or one small change at home. Your voice matters — […] it can inspire many others to act as well."

So let's make this moment count. We want you to see, that young people aren't just our future, they're already leading the way – let them be our role models.

Together 247.933 children in 10 countries collected

3, 560, 504 Green Footprints



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The children are raising their voices for the planet!

Concerned about the global climate, they send their heartfelt *Wishprints,* full of ideas and demands to the participants of the UN Climate Change Conference.

Their message is clear:

We expect leaders everywhere to give their best and take bold, immediate steps to protect our planet's future.

It doesn't matter where you come from, what matters is that you ***act now****.*

This collage, crafted from a diverse range of materials, captures the creative ways children approach climate action.



Children's Wishes and Demands

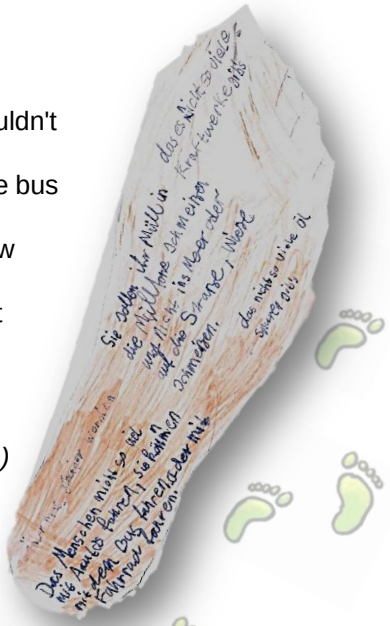
GERMANY



Photo GS Hagenberg

I wish people wouldn't drive so much.
They can take the bus or ride a bike.
They should throw their trash in the trash can and not into the ocean, on the street, or in the field.

(*from Ehekirchen*)



Fewer trees should be cut down, and fewer forests and primeval forests should be cleared.
Trees are very important for animals and for our climate.

(from Hagensberg)



I wish that you would do something so that it gets a little bit colder.
For example, tell people that they should make less emissions.!

(*from Leutenbach)*



Please stop fast fashion and promote slow fashion

(from Bredenbek)

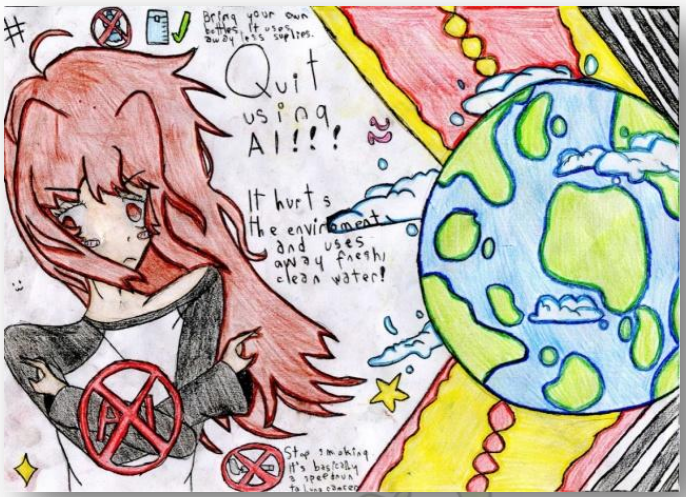


Our world must be preserved,

so I hope that everyone will help keep our Earth from being polluted! Instead, let's protect it!!
(from Pfullingen)

HUNGARY





Feedback from teachers and coordinators

AUSTRIA

“It's always a great project. We continue exploring the topic climate throughout the year.”

Hochgallmigg, Kindergarten

“The children gained a better understanding of how even small changes in their daily lives can help protect the environment”

VS23, Klagenfurt-Wölfnitz

“The initiative was very well received, and the feedback from parents was consistently positive. Some even rode their bikes to school despite the bad weather and increasingly chose to ride their bikes or take the bus on weekends as well. A shift in mindset was evident.”

Salzburg State Hospitals, Daycare Center

GERMANY

“In 4th grade we explored the topic fast fashion, this left a lasting impression on the children.”

Elementary school teacher, Bredenbek

“The children really enjoyed the activity and were able to learn in a fun way how everyone can contribute to sustainability and climate protection.”

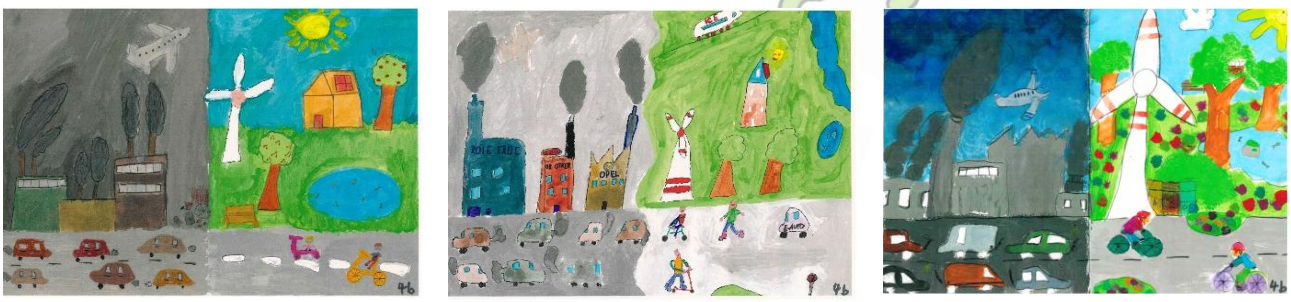
Kindergarten, Hamburg

“We are excited to see where this journey will take us and would like to thank you very much for the inspiration and the opportunity to be part of this meaningful initiative.

Teacher Primary School, Illertissen

“The feedback from all participants has been consistently positive, and it is clear that both children and adults are becoming increasingly aware of the need to work toward a better climate. Children, in particular, are becoming more sensitive to the need to use the Earth’s resources responsibly in the face of rising energy demands.”

District Specialist Advisor for Mobility and Traffic Education, Pinneberg District



Drawings from Anröchte

POLAND

“We are proud that our participants contributed to the projects with great dedication and were thus able to gain valuable experience in sustainable and responsible action.”

Teacher from Giżycko

“It was an incredible feeling to watch their discovery and enthusiasm. We can also proudly say that we’ve already developed excellent habits when thinking about saving water and electricity.”

Teacher from Wydminy

Austria



Photo: Volksschule Mautern

21,666 children collected together
397,466 Klimameilen / Green Footprints

In Austria, it is a tradition to nominate the champion of the summer. This year the 80 pupils of the **Volksschule Kopfing** in Upper Austria secured the **Klimameilen-Sommersieger 2026**. In just 14 days, they collected an amazing 2,417 Klimameilen! Their achievement demonstrated how many everyday journeys can be made without a car – and that physical activity and independent, sustainable mobility starts on the way to school. Federal Minister for Mobility Peter Hanke and Elke Kastner, Managing Director of Climate Alliance Austria, personally congratulated the pupils and presented them with a certificate and a trophy. As a special reward, the children also enjoyed a joint trip to the Schönbrunn Zoo in Vienna.

With plenty of motivation and team spirit, the pupils of **Sport Mittelschule Bad Vöslau** in Lower Austria also demonstrated how everyday actions can make a meaningful difference for the climate. Within just one week, 57 pupils collected a total of 778 Klimameilen, securing them the **overall Klimameilen Champion of 2025**! At a special award ceremony, Petra Schön, Managing Director of Climate Alliance Lower Austria, presented the pupils with their certificates and trophy. A very special surprise was provided by Dudu the Climate Clown, who delighted the pupils with his entertaining performance.



Photo: SMS Bad Vöslau

But there was plenty more to celebrate! Many educational institutions organized **Klimameilen celebrations** and awarding ceremonies to recognize and celebrate the children's commitments. In appreciation of their enthusiastic efforts, some pupils received wonderful rewards from their local communities – such as a group trip to the cinema or new sports equipment for their Physical Education lessons. At some schools, the surrounding asphalt was also transformed into **creative works of art** with colorful pavement chalk.

"The teachers and their classes thoroughly enjoyed collecting Green Footprints together. They also beautifully decorated the paved school route with colourful chalk drawings and created pictures on the theme of `My Journey to School`. These artworks are now being prepared for display at the school's Open Day."

ÖKO-Volksschule Wienerwald

Österreich

21.666 Kinder sammelten gemeinsam 397.466 Klimameilen!

Mit beeindruckendem Einsatz sicherten sich die 80 Schüler*innen der **Volksschule Kopfing** aus Oberösterreich den **Klimameilen-Sommersieg 2026**: In nur 14 Tagen sammelten sie gemeinsam 2.417 Klimameilen! Damit zeigten sie eindrucksvoll, wie viele Alltagswege auch ohne Auto zurückgelegt werden können und, dass Bewegung und selbstständige Mobilität bereits am Schulweg beginnt. Mobilitätsminister Peter Hanke und Klimabündnis-Geschäftsführerin Elke Kastner gratulierten den Schüler*innen persönlich und überreichten ihnen eine Urkunde und einen Pokal. Als Besondere Belohnung durften sich die Schüler*innen über einen gemein-samen Ausflug in den Tiergarten Schönbrunn freuen.

Auch die Schüler*innen der **Sport Mittelschule Bad Vöslau** aus Niederösterreich bewiesen mit viel Motivation und Teamgeist, wie Klimaschutz im Alltag gelingen kann: Innerhalb einer Woche sammelten 57 Schüler*innen 778 Klimameilen und holten sich damit den **österreichweiten Sieg der Klimameilen-Kampagne 2025**! Im Rahmen einer feierlichen Veranstaltung überreichte Petra Schön, Geschäftsführerin von Klimabündnis Nieder-österreich, die Urkunde und den Pokal.

Für eine ganz besondere Überraschung sorgte Klima-Clown Dudu, der die Schüler*innen mit seinem Auftritt begeisterte.



„Die Pädagoginnen haben gemeinsam mit ihren Klassen gerne gesammelt, den gepflasterten, versiegelten Weg zur Schule mit Straßenkreiden wunderschön gestaltet und Bilder zum Thema `Mein Schulweg` gemalt. Daraus werden Pinnwände für den Tag der offenen Tür vorbereitet.“

ÖKO-Volksschule Wienerwald

Doch nicht nur dort gab es Grund zum Feiern: Einige Bildungseinrichtungen veranstalten **Klimameilen-Feste** und Preisverleihungen, bei denen das Engagement der Kinder gebührend gewürdigt wurde. Als Anerkennung für ihren fleißigen Einsatz erhielten manche von ihren Gemeinden **tolle Belohnungen** – beispielsweise einen gemeinsamen Kinobesuch oder neue Kleingeräte für den Sportunterricht. Auch wurde der Asphalt rund um einige Schulen mit bunten Straßenmalkreiden in **kreative Kunstwerke** verwandelt.



Auszeichnung der Volksschule Kopfing als Klimameilen-Sommersieger 2026, Copyright: BMIMI / Domnanovich

Germany



Photo: Schorndorf

141.106 children together collected
2.0343.219 Grüne Meilen / Green Footprints

In 2026, children from **781 schools** in about **200 German municipalities** were registered. They collected green miles for traveling on foot, by scooter, by bike, or by public transportation; red miles for eating regional and seasonal food; and blue energy-saving miles. Schools and daycare centers carried out **many great activities** with and within their communities (see our website under “Ergebnisse 2026”).

We’d like to share a few examples with you here:

For seven days, the kids in **Kleinbittersdorf** took a close look at their daily lives: How do I get around? What ends up on my plate? Where can I save energy? As part of this, the school held its own **“Sustainability Challenge.”** In a booklet, the children collected stamps for small tasks, ranging from picking up trash and gardening to giving someone a compliment. After collecting five stamps, a surprise awaited them - such as a feed ball for birds.



Photo: Ehekrichen



Photo: Timmendorfer Strand

The daycare centers in **Timmendorfer Strand and Niendorf** participated for **the first time** this year. The children went on a discovery tour and thought about how they get to daycare and how far their commutes are. They wrote down other things they can do for the climate in their daily lives on a **“Climate Saver Wall.”**

In **Bredenbek**, the fourth-grade classes explored the topic of **fast fashion**. The topic made a big impression on the children. That’s why, in addition to their “wish feet,” they also created “**wish shirts**” this year.

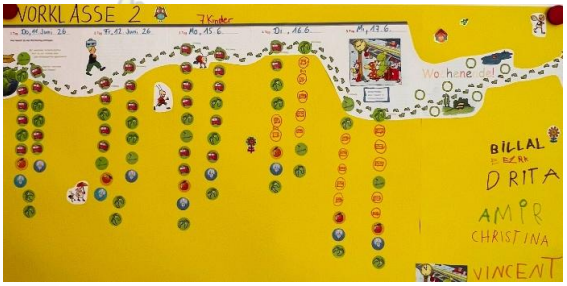


Photo: Offenbach

In **Dormagen**, the focus was largely on food, for example with an **“apple check” led by the Fairtrade team**. And the children at the Sonnentau preschool came to school even in the rain - on balance bikes, scooters, bicycles, or on foot.
At many institutions this year, too, the practice of collecting stickers was deliberately set aside in the interest of the climate, and climate-friendly activities were instead simply **documented using stamps**, checklists, and wool yarn.

Deutschland

141.106 Kinder sammeln
2.0343.219 Grüne Meilen

2026 waren Kinder aus **781 Einrichtungen** in rund **200 deutschen Kommunen** angemeldet. Sie sammelten grüne Meilen für Wege zu Fuß, mit dem Roller, Fahrrad oder mit dem ÖPNV, rote Meilen für regionales und saisonales Essen und blaue Energiespar-Meilen.

Die Schulen und Kitas haben mit und in ihren Kommunen viele **tolle Aktionen** umgesetzt (zu sehen auf unserer Website unter Ergebnisse 2026) Wir möchten euch hier **einige Beispiele** vorstellen:



Photo: Vöhringen Illerzell

In so mancher Einrichtung wurde dieses Jahr bewusst zugunsten des Klimas auf das **Sticker** sammeln verzichtet und die klimafreundlichen Aktionen stattdessen einfach mit Hilfe von **Stempeln**, **Strichlisten oder Bindfäden** an einem Fahrrad dokumentiert.

Die Kitas aus **Timmendorfer Strand und Niendorf** waren dieses Jahr zum **ersten Mal** dabei. Sie gingen auf Entdeckungstour, überlegten, wie sie zur Kita kommen und wie weit ihre Wege sind. Was man im Alltag noch für das Klima tun kann, hielten sie an einer **„Klimaretter Wand“** fest.



Photo: Allensbach

In **Bredenbek** beschäftigten sich die vierten Klassen mit **Fast Fashion**. Das Thema hat die Kinder beeindruckt. Deshalb gab es neben den Wunschfüßen dieses Jahr auch Wunsch-Shirts.

In Dormagen ging es viel um Lebensmittel, zum Beispiel mit einem **Apfelcheck des Fairtrade-Teams**. Und die Kinder im Kindergarten Sonnentau kamen auch bei Regenwetter mit Laufrad, Roller, Fahrrad oder zu Fuß.

Auch in **Kleinbittersdorf** schauten sie genau: Wie bin ich unterwegs? Was landet auf dem Teller? Wo lässt sich Energie sparen? Dazu gab es die **schuleigene „Challenge der Nachhaltigkeit“**, bei der es Stempel gab fürs Müllsammeln, Gärtnern oder fürs Verschenken eines Kompliments. Nach fünf Stempel wartete eine Überraschung wie ein Meisenknödel.



Photo Energieregion Hümmling:



Photo Kreis neuburg Schrobenhausen:

Photo: Westerkappeln

Hungary







All photos:
Climate Alliance Hungary

21,702 young people and 1,925 teachers from 94 schools and kindergartens collected
427,068 Zöld Mérföld / Green Footprints

During Hungary's Action Week, schools took part in a variety of creative and climate-conscious activities under the theme **"ELÉG"** (Hungarian for "enough")

The word carries several layers of meaning: it asks how much would actually be enough to fairly meet everyone's needs. A question that feels especially pressing against the backdrop of a hot, dry summer in which nature in Hungary is visibly suffering from drought.
At the same time, the word "ELÉG" also contains "LÉG", the Hungarian word for air, a reference to wind and air as a source of energy.

Individuals and small groups created **artworks and messages on climate justice**, calling on leaders at countries with fair and sustainable policies.

This year, the children are especially passionate about the campaign "Raise your umbrella for our future!". An umbrella campaign through which they are advocating for a new Hungarian climate law.

The most creative schools and students will receive climate-friendly prizes.









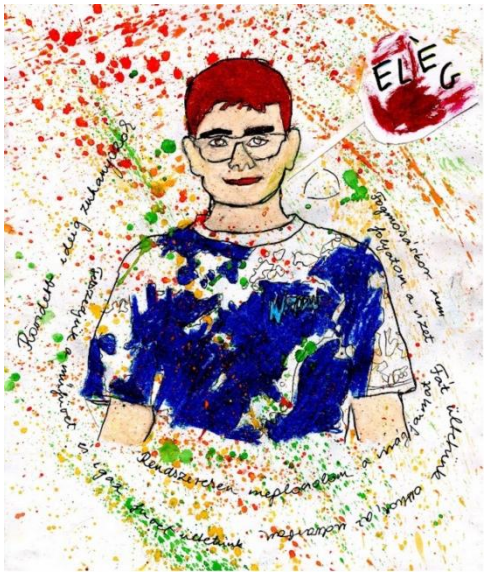
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Magyarország

19 777 gyerek és 1 925 tanár
94 iskolából és óvodából összesen
427 068 Zöld Mérföldet gyűjtött

A Magyarországi Akcióhét keretében az iskolák a **„ELÉG”**

ELÉG - a szóban rejlő jelentések állnak a Mozdulj a klímáért!
2026-os kampányának célkeresztjében. Mennyivel kevesebb is ELÉG lehetne mindennapi szükségleteink igazságos kielégítésére! A forró, csapadék nélküli nyári időszakban szomorúan látjuk, ahogy szárad és ELÉG a természet körülöttünk. Mindeközben az ELÉG-ben ott a LÉG könnyűsége, a szél, mint a LÉGből kapott energia.



Egyes iskolák **Bicibusz-járatokat** szerveztek diákjaik számára, amelyeken szülők és más önkéntesek is kísérték a gyerekeket, hangsúlyozva az autómentes közlekedés fontosságát a gyerekek és a környezet számára.





Photos: Green Footprints Campaign Hungary

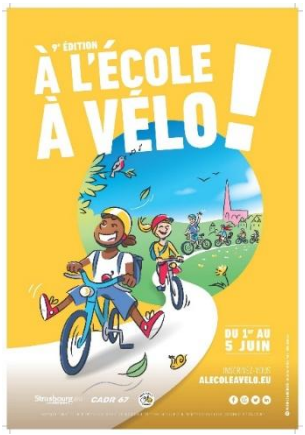
Kreatív művészeti alkotások készültek, melyek a klímaigazságosságról vitték az üzenetet az adott országok vezetőinek, hogy felhívják a figyelmüket a méltányos és fenntarthatósag fontosságára a politikában.

A gyerekek emellett szórakoztató, gyakorlati projektek keretében is felfedezték a „zöld életmódot”: öko-kavicsokat festettek, helyi ehető növényekből készítettek italokat, valamint fotóikat, rajzaikat és történeteiket megosztva inspirálták egymást. A legkreatívabb iskolák és diákok klímabarát díjakat kapnak.



Photos: Green Footprints Campaign Hungary

France



19.500 children in 86 schools together collected 48.750 Green Footprints

This year, the Eurometropolis of Strasbourg organized its “À l’école à vélo” campaign for the ninth time in collaboration with “CADR 67 – Comité d’Action Deux Roues.”

The campaign isn’t limited to two-wheeled vehicles; rather, it’s about promoting and celebrating any car-free way to get to school. That’s why it’s called “À l’école à vélo et compagnie – To School by Bike and More”!

From June 1 to 5, 2026, 86 schools participated, with approximately 19,500 students. During the campaign period, 50% of students walked to school, 40% rode bikes, and 10% traveled to school on scooters or even inline skates.

The total number of climate-friendly journeys is divided by the total number of students at each school to determine a winner.
These are the top five schools from this year’s campaign week:

1. Gutenberg School in Strasbourg
2. Primary School in Kolbsheim
3. Camille Hirtz Primary School in Strasbourg
4. Hohberg Primary School in Strasbourg
5. Branly Primary School in Strasbourg

19.500 Kinder in 86 Schulen sammeln 48.750 Green Footprints

Die Eurometropole Straßburg hat sich dieses Jahr wieder mit ihrer Aktion „À l’école à vélo“ beteiligt, die sie seit 9 Jahren gemeinsam mit dem „Comité d’Action Deux Roues“ organisiert.

Strasbourg hatte 2022 als brandneues Mitglied im Klima-Bündnis erstmals Klimameilen gesammelt und die Rückmeldungen ihrer Einrichtungen sehr ernst genommen. Deshalb ist die Aktion nun nicht mehr auf Zweiräder limitiert, es geht vielmehr darum, jeden Schulweg ohne Auto zu fördern und zu feiern. Daher der Name: „À l’école à vélo et compagnie – To School by Bike and More“!

Vom 1. bis 5.6. beteiligten sich 86 Schulen mit rund 19.500 Schüler*innen. In dieser Woche sind 50% der Kinder zu Fuß zur Schule gekommen, 40% radelten und 10% haben ihren Schulweg mit Rollern oder Inlinern bewältigt.

Die Gesamtzahl der klimafreundlichen Wege wird durch die Gesamtzahl der Schüler*innen der jeweiligen Einrichtung geteilt, um einen Sieger zu ermitteln. Dies sind die Top Fünf Schulen der diesjährigen Aktionswoche:

1.Gutenberg-Schule in Straßburg
2.Grundschule in Kolbsheim
3.Camille-Hirtz-Grundschule in Straßburg
4.Hohberg-Grundschule in Straßburg
5.Branly-Grundschule in Straßburg

Italy



Photo: Piacenza

5.948 little Italian climate protectors from 29 schools collected
71,418 Miglia Verdi/ Green footprints.

Piacenza – Free to Move

Under the motto **"Liberi di Muoversi"** (Free to Move), the city of Piacenza promotes **active, safe and sustainable mobility** at its schools. The initiative is coordinated by Infoambiente, the CEAS of the Comune di Piacenza.
11 schools took part in 2025/2026 with own projects.

Together, the children collected 21,418 Green Footprints: 11,045 through good everyday actions of 1,420 pupils in 70 classes, 7,644 on their way to school and 2,729 at the Minimaratona Pedibus, where it rained, but the children walked anyway.

Walking to school has a long tradition in Piacenza. On **five Pedibus** (walking bus) lines, 103 children walk together with 61 adult "drivers", at the Caduti sul Lavoro school the Pedibus has been running for 19 years.

The Bikebus at the school Vittorino Da Feltre started in spring 2025. The children cycle in a group, with a starting point and several stops, just like a bus line.



Photo: Piazenza

Many schools added their own ideas. During European Mobility Week, pupils counted cyclists for the Giretto d'Italia, and a class at the Dante school calculated percentages and estimated the CO_2 emissions of the cars they counted. In the Ottavo Circolo, 475 children from 25 classes explored their neighbourhood on foot as **"apprentice pedestrians".**



Photos: Piacenza

Padova – Raccogliamo Miglia Verdi

In Padua, the "Raccogliamo Miglia Verdi" competition runs from 5 to 31 October 2026 and encourages primary and lower secondary school classes to travel to school sustainably. 18 schools are taking part this year.
The initiative is part of Padua's climate efforts in the EU Mission "Climate-Neutral Cities", it aims to reach climate neutrality by 2030.

Camminiamo insieme verso un futuro migliore!

Let's walk together towards a better future
San Lazzaro school

Luxembourg



Children from one school collected
2,959 Gréng Meilen/ Green footprints

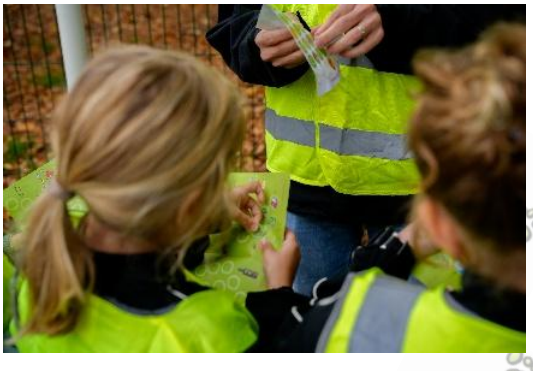
In Luxembourg, where the campaign is coordinated by Klima-Bündnis Lëtzebuerg under the name **“Op Kannerféiss duerch d’Welt”,** the schools usually participate just every second year, so we didn't suggest to have activities there in 2026.

The school “Am Sand” in the municipality of Niederanven wasn’t to stop and took part ‘alone’.

In perfect line with the Luxembourgish slogan for the Green Footprints Campaign **“Vill gréng Meile fänken an dobäi un d’Klima denken!”** (Collect lots of Green Footprints and think about the climate while you’re at it!), the children there, for three weeks, traveled to school every day either by pedibus /on their own feet, or took the regular school bus instead of sitting in mama’s and papa’s car.



Photos: Niederanven



Photos: Niederanven

Niederanven
2,959 Gréng Meilen/ Grüne Meilen

In Luxemburg, wo die Kampagne vom Klima-Bündnis Lëtzebuerg koordiniert wird und unter dem Namen **“Op Kannerféiss duerch d’Welt”** bekannt ist, nehmen die Schulen in der Regel nur alle zwei Jahre teil, weshalb wir dort 2026 keine Aktivitäten erwartet hatten.

Umso erfreuter waren wir, dass in diesem Jahr die Schule „Am Sand“ in der Gemeinde Niederanven "ganz alleine" teilgenommen hat.

Ganz nach dem letzebuergischen Kampagnenmotto **„Vill gréng Meile fänken an dobäi un d’Klima denken!“** (Viel Grüne Meilen sammeln und dabei ans Klima denken!) kamen die Kinder dort drei Wochen lang täglich per Pedi- oder Laufbus zur Schule oder nutzten den regulären Schulbus anstatt des Elterntaxis.

Gemeinsam sammelten sie so auf ihren Wegen 2.959 „Gréng Meilen“.

Vielen Dank für diese unerwartete Unterstützung der Kampagne – jede Grüne Meile zählt!

Poland



84 children in 2 schools together collected 2.210 Green Footprints

Wydminy combined the ZOOM campaign with the **cycling test** this year. The 4th graders passed the exam on the grounds of the local youth traffic school (Miasteczko Ruchu Drogowego) and can now **officially ride their bikes**. The children were delighted, as cycling is **great fun and a big attraction for them.**

The older classes prepared **a film** for the younger ones that shows how to stay safe in traffic. During breaks, they also encouraged their classmates to go for walks and be more active.

Healthy food was another topic. Since the region mostly consists of villages, the pupils realised that they already eat fruit and vegetables from their **own gardens**. The school also reports that the children have developed excellent habits in **saving water and electricity**.



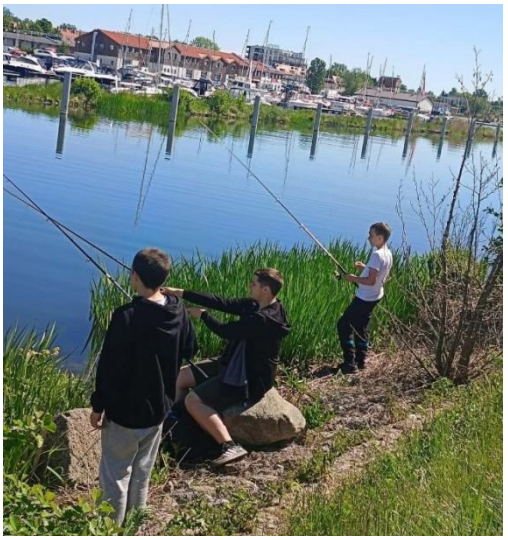
Photos: Wydminy *and* Giżycko



„It was an incredible feeling to watch their discovery and enthusiasm."

In **Giżycko**, the children and teenagers explored energy and water saving, regional and seasonal products and environmental protection through lessons, discussions and **hands-on activities**.

Hikes and bike tours took them out into nature and made them aware that actions without electronic devices are also a lot of fun.
They took part with great dedication and learned how small everyday decisions can **make a difference for the climate**.



Sweden

Logo: trafik kalendern

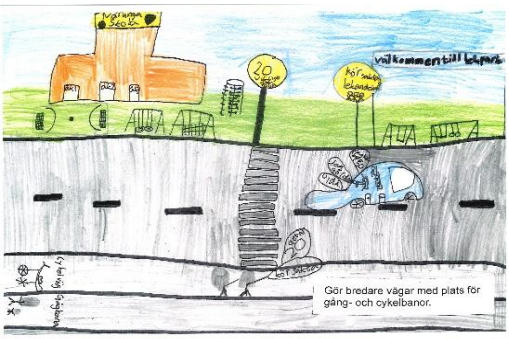
More than 37,000 children in 226 schools were involved and collected
554788 Resepoäng /Green Footprints

In Sweden, the Green Footprints Campaign is run by **Trafikkalendern** under the name **"Gå & Cykla till skolan**" (Walk and Bike to School). Pupils in **Years F–6** (aged 6–12) across the country take part and turn their everyday trips into **climate action** together.

During a two-week period in September or October, the schools collect 'travel points' for every journey made on foot, by bike or by public transport. Fewer car trips mean **lower CO_2 emissions** and **safer streets** around schools. The campaign has two aims: **improving road safety** and **protecting the environment**.



"Ride your bike or walk if you live close to school."



"It would be good to have footpaths and cycle paths alongside the roads in rural areas."



Every year, Trafikkalendern awards **national prizes** to the schools and classes with the **best results**, and municipalities honour also their local champions.

This year, the pupils were also asked to **draw** how the journey to school could become more **child-friendly**. Through the drawings they ask for wider roads with space for **footpaths** and **cycle lanes** and for more cycle paths in rural areas. Others say that they already cycle or walk to school because it is also healthy for them.



"A safe and fun journey to school."

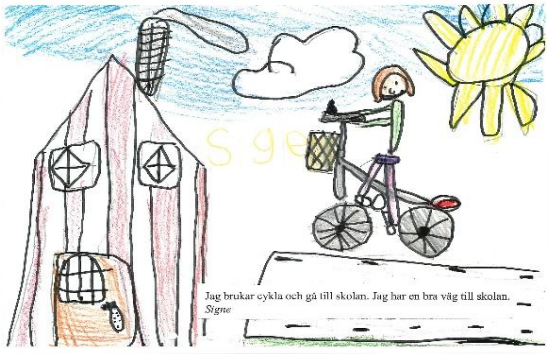
Sweden

Mer än 37 000 barn i 226 skolor deltog och samlade in 788 Resepoäng

Kampanjen engagerar elever i årskurs F–6 (6–12 år) över hela landet och förvandlar vardagliga resor till kollektiva klimatåtgärder.

Varje år delar **Trafikkalendern** ut nationella priser till de skolor och klasser som uppnått bäst resultat, medan många kommuner hyllar sina lokala mästare med särskilda utmärkelser.

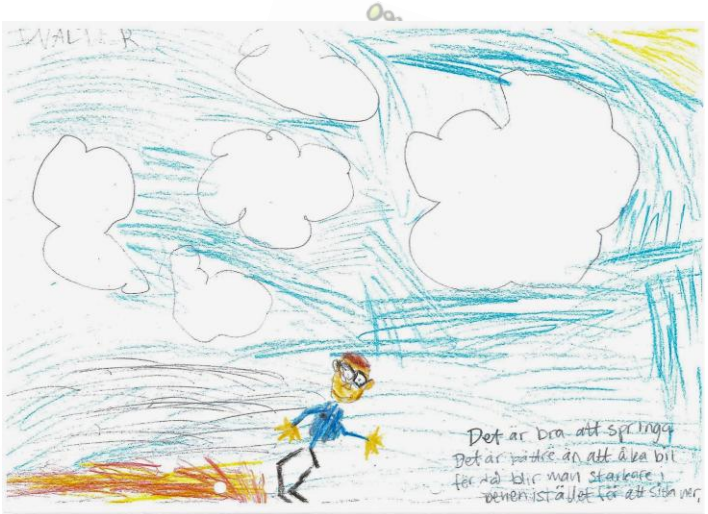
Med varje steg och varje tramptag. Nedan finns barnens teckningar med förklaringar av bilderna från barnen själva.



“I usually cycle or walk to school. I have a good route to school.”







“Running is good., better than travelling by car because it makes your legs stronger “

United Arab Emirates

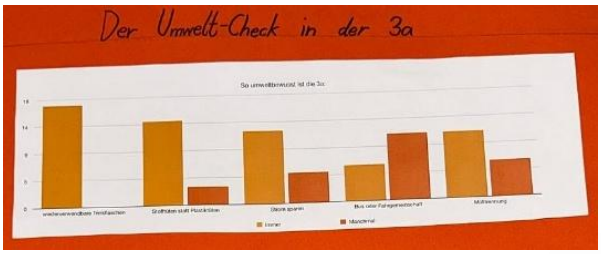


217 children from one school collected
12,194 Grüne Meilen / Green Footprints

From **7 September to 4 October 2026**, the German International School Dubai (DISD) dedicated four weeks to **climate protection**. Twelve classes from grades 2 to 4 took part. The first graders joined the climate weeks with creative activities and will collect their own Green Footprints a little later, once they have settled into school life.

With their **Footprints booklet**, the children noted down every day what they could do for the climate themselves: switching off lights, separating and recycling waste, travelling to school by bus or carpool and eating regionally produced food. Together they collected:
4,615 Footprints for saving energy,
3,832 for climate-friendly mobility and
3,747 for climate-friendly food.





In the **"primary school lab"** models, posters and collages made from waste materials were created, for example **"Our Green Dubai"** and **"Plastic in the Sea"**. Class 3a even carried out its own survey, complete with chart and evaluation. In an upcycling project, grade 2 turned waste into a variety of new objects, including **"Batteriela"**, a figure that collects empty batteries. Another class together designed a large garbage truck poster.

Many of the results are on display in the school building, among them the exhibition **"Small Actions – Big Impact"**, which illustrates the journey of a pair of jeans.



„Our goal:
We want to take small steps together to help the environment. If each of us does our part, we can accomplish a lot."

Vereinigte Arabische Emirate

217 Grundschulkinder sammelten
12,194 Grüne Meilen / Green Footprints

Vom **7. September bis 4. Oktober 2026** widmete sich die Deutsche Internationale Schule Dubai (DISD) vier Wochen lang dem Thema **Klimaschutz**. Zwölf Klassen der Jahrgänge 2 bis 4 machten mit. Die ersten Klassen beteiligten sich mit kreativen Aktionen an den Klimaschutzwochen und sammeln ihre Meilen etwas später, wenn sie im Schulalltag angekommen sind.

Mit ihrem **Meilen-Sammelheft** hielten die Kinder jeden Tag fest, was sie selbst für das Klima tun konnten, darunter zum Beispiel: das Licht ausschalten, den Müll trennen und recyceln, mit dem Bus in die Schule fahren oder regionale Lebensmittel essen. Insgesamt sammelten sie
4.615 Blaue Energiesparmeilen,
3.832 Grüne Mobilitätsmeilen und
3.747 Rote Lebensmittelmeilen





Im **„Grundschul Labor"** entstanden Modelle, Plakate und Collagen aus Abfallmaterialen, zum Beispiel **„Unser grünes Dubai"** und **„Plastik im Meer"**. Die Klasse 3a führte sogar eine eigene Umfrage mit Diagramm und Auswertung durch.

Jahrgang zwei gestaltete in einem **Upcycling Projekt** aus Abfall einiges an neuem, darunter **„Batteriela",** die leere Batterien sammelt. Eine andere Klasse gestaltete gemeinsam ein großes Müllauto-Poster.

Viele der Ergebnisse sind im Schulgebäude ausgestellt, unter anderem das Display **„Kleine Taten – Große Wirkung"** auf dem die Reise einer Jeans veranschaulicht wird.


Im Rahmen unserer Umweltwoche haben wir uns überlegt, wie umweltbewusst wir bereits handeln und dazu abgestimmt. Anschließend haben wir unsere Ergebnisse in einer Tabelle gesammelt und in einem Diagramm dargestellt. Dabei haben wir festgestellt: Bei den wiederverwendbaren Trinkflaschen und beim Stromsparen sind wir schon richtig gut! Auch bei der Mülltrennung achten viele Kinder auf unsere Umwelt. Bei den Bus- und Fahrgemeinschaften und beim Vermeiden von Plastik können wir noch besser

„Unser Ziel: Wir wollen gemeinsam kleine Schritte machen, die unserer Umwelt helfen. Wenn jeder von uns mitmacht, können wir viel erreichen."



Kids on the Move for Climate Action 2026

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2026 there were 247.933 children in 1.401 schools participating.
They came from the following countries:

Country	Schools	Groups	Children	Green Footprints
Austria	180	806	21.666	397.466
France	86	650	19.500	48.750
Germany	781	5.456	141.106	2.043.219
Hungary	94	775	21.702	427.068
Italy	29	178	5.948	71.418
Luxembourg	1	25	600	2.959
North Macedonia	1	2	50	432
Poland	2	3	84	2.210
Sweden	226	1.025	37.060	554.788
United Arab Emirates	1	12	217	12.194
Total:	**1.401**	**8.932**	**247.933**	**3.560.504**



Kindermeilen-Kampagne

since 2002

Green Footprints Campaign

since 2003

Year	Children	Countries	Green Footprints
2002	30,000	1	141,472
2003	80,000	18	544,008
2004	47,000	3	331,400
2005	33,800	3	801,500
2006	100,000	9	743,041
2007	128,000	17	1,457,039
2008	115,000	11	1,546,834
2009	187,100	13	2,861,264
2010	159,500	10	2,660,251
2011	201,100	25	2,710,340
2012	160,000	12	2,447,900
2013	163,000	13	2,177,902
2014	180,000	11	2,218,867
2015	186,800	13	2,249,609
2016	175,000	10	1,741,200
2017	205,600	10	2,325,161
2018	150,300	9	2,272,041
2019	217,800	13	3,254,649
2020	146,000	6	2,313,645
2021	207,800	9	2,967,976
2022	236,300	8	3,019,901
2023	252,700	11	3,670,936
2024	265,900	10	3,684,430
2025	248.300	11	3,937,574
2026	248,000	10	3,560,504
	4,125,000	**42**	**55,639,444**





Australia	Estonia	Hungary	Malaysia	Portugal	Sweden
Austria	Fiji	India	Malta	Romania	Switzerland
Belarus	Finland	Indonesia	Mauritius	Samoa	Tanzania
Belgium	France	Italy	New Zealand	Singapore	Thailand
Bulgaria	Germany	La Reunion	Netherlands	Slovakia	Turkey
Czech Republic	Great Britian	Liechtenstein	North Macedonia	Slovenia	Ukraine
Denmark	Greece	Luxembourg	Poland	Spain	United Arab Emirates

Kids on the Move for Climate Action 2026

The Green Footprints Campaign on sustainable mobility and the climate for kindergarten and primary school children is running in Germany since 2002 and all over Europe since 2003. Over 4 million children in more than 40 countries joined in so far and, by using climate-friendly means of transport for their daily journeys, collected their:

***Green Footprints, Grüne Meilen, Klimameilen, Groene Voetstappen, Miglia Verdi, Gréng Meilen, Зелени Стапалчиња, Roheline Jalajäljed, Vihreät jalanjäljet, Zöld Mérföldet, Zielonych Stóp, Klimaschritte, Grön Footprints,* зеленых следа, Empreintes Vertes, …**

With their **Green Footprints**, children embark on a *"Joint Climate Voyage"* that begins at the UNFCCC Secretariat in Bonn. The symbolic trip circles the globe and ends at the annual UN Climate Conference , where the kids' footprints, wishes and concerns are handed directly to negotiators and decision-makers.

The Green Footprint Kids from all over Europe very much hope that the adults at the UN Climate Conference don't let them down! They call upon them to take a lot more concrete and creative action so they can still step into a save climate future.
Please support them by using your social media platforms or other means of outreach to encourage politicians to fight for our climate!

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