

# SCHOOL GARDEN MANIFESTO

## 1. Learn. But differently.

Learning beyond classroom walls is transformative. By activating our senses, thinking creatively, & working outdoors, we can develop new ecological skills.

## 2. Champion a new school spirit.

Everything that happens in the garden transforms the school. Join other students to build & share knowledge beyond classes.

## 3. Protect biodiversity.

Gardens are incubators for local biodiversity. From honeybees to hedgehogs, these greenspaces can preserve endangered species.

## 4. Feed body & mind.

School gardens can improve our mental and physical health. See food grow from seed to plate. Be inspired by nature and watch our imaginations soar.

## 5. Promote ecological justice.

Our environment is shaped by politics. The garden is a space for nurturing ethical behavior, tackling social injustice, & celebrating food sovereignty.

## 6. Take back your world.

The earth belongs to all of us. Use gardens to imprint your vision for the world. Transform the streets you live in. Grow new places in the most unlikely spaces!

## 7. Build community economies.

Local is radical. Create food networks and urban farms to unite people beyond the school gate. School gardens can support the vulnerable & heal communities.

## 8. Defend the Earth.

The planet is under existential threat—and so is the human species. Our destiny is shared. By caring for the Earth, we can grow a better future.

