



CLIMATE CHANGES EVERYTHING

NOW IS THE TIME TO ACT



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“We must all share responsibility for the future of life on Earth”

David Attenborough



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What's OWW about?

It's an opportunity to put on, and take part in, local events about global issues. Local community and religious groups, campaigners, schools, universities, youth and environment groups aim to build links and celebrate living in a shared world. We offer inspiration and hope to encourage people to act to build a just, more equal, inclusive and peaceful world that safeguards environmental resources for future generations.

When?

One World Week 2019 is 20-27 October and includes UN Day on 24th October but you can organise events whenever it suits you around the annual theme. All year round you can share news/stories on social media.

What?

Think about shared meals, inspiring talks, films, games and activities, quizzes, fairs, exhibitions, debates, poetry, songs, walks, acts of worship, inter-cultural activity, school assemblies and projects. Share perspectives, have fun — it's up to you.

How?

Visit www.oneworldweek.org and find:

- new resources for this year's theme
- tips for organising events
- suggestions for working across faiths
- publicity and worship materials
- ideas for actions throughout the year, linked with our supporter groups

Get involved:

Do register on the website for the **OWW eNewsletter** for updates on events and new resources.

Be sure to **submit your events** for the website calendar and map.

When you organise events, don't forget that OWW is an awareness-raising charity which needs funds!

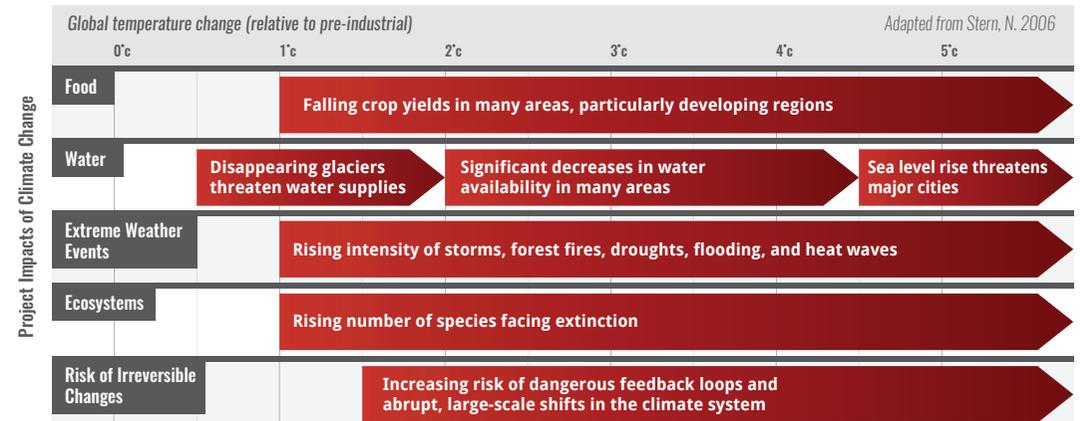


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We are aware that human activity is changing the climate of our planet and damaging the natural systems which sustain populations: plants, animals and humans. But are we aware of how rapidly and relentlessly these changes are happening? What are the impacts? What can we do about it?



The sooner we act, the more likely we are to restrict warming to a level we can live with. If we wait any longer, we shall leave our children to cope with a severely damaged planet.

As 16-year-old schoolgirl, Greta Thunberg, has asked:

“Why are we not all talking about it? Why are we not all taking appropriate action to limit the damage before it is too late?”

Scientists warn that we may now have only 12 years to prevent runaway climate change. Governments have accepted the need to reduce greenhouse gas emissions but are reluctant to make the changes that will upset the status quo. But that is what this global emergency demands.

This OWW, we seek to engage our diverse local communities in addressing:

- how INTERCONNECTED climate and nature are with our life-styles
- our RESPONSIBILITY to secure a future for our children
- the URGENCY to act NOW

“We recognise the corruption that humans have caused on earth in our relentless pursuit of economic growth and consumption.”

(from the Islamic Declaration on Global Climate Change. 2015)