“This is not a single-generation job. It’s humanity’s job... Let’s all join together, with your neighbours, co-workers, friends, family and go out on to the streets to make your voices heard and make this a turning point in our history.”

Greta Thunberg and 46 youth activists from the international school strike movement

Young climate strikers are calling on everyone to join massive climate strikes and a week of climate justice actions starting on 20th September. People all over the world will use their power to call for a halt to ‘business as usual’ and amplify the voices of young people calling for climate justice today and a liveable planet for the future.
WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND THE WORLD?

Friday 20th September is a global school strike day of action, ahead of the UN Climate Summit in New York. Young people have called on adults to strike with them on this day. This will start a week of action on climate from 20-27th September.

WHAT CAN I DO?

Find out about what's happening in your area (check the websites below for links to resources). Many areas have planning meetings set up to organise, co-ordinate and share ideas about how adults can join the strike on 20th. If no planning meeting has been set up yet, you could get the ball rolling - contact Campaign against Climate Change and other climate campaigners, trade unions, activist groups concerned with other social justice issues, and of course, school strikers in your area. There will be lots of ways people can get involved.

WHAT CAN TRADE UNIONS AND WORKERS DO?

Despite the UK’s restrictive anti-strike laws, trade unions have a vital role to play. Some have already passed motions supporting the school student strikes. The first step is to talk to people in your workplace about the 20th. Get a meeting set up, if possible invite a school student striker or climate campaigner. Discuss what kind of action you think can be taken in your workplace to stand with students on the 20th. Be creative and imaginative. Tell your employer about the strength of feeling in support of backing the young people.

In September a motion passed by UCU will call on the TUC to support the school student strikes and call a 30 minute workday stoppage on the day. Get behind this motion and sign the statement supporting this call.

Our school students are fighting for a better future for us all. Let's make sure they are not fighting alone. Further trade union resources are on the Campaign against Climate Change trade union group website, www.cacctu.org.uk

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