

Day 7

Time to Pause and Reflect

Thank you for using the Heart for the Earth resources. We hope that, through bringing to life the resources in your own context, you have seen the school community develop and demonstrate a heart for the Earth in wonderful and urgent ways.

In arriving at 'Day 7' of the resources, we link back once again to the creation narrative in Genesis 1. On Day 7, God rested. God paused. God looked back at their creative work, taking joy in the journey so far. God also looked forward – what next?

We invite you to do the same. What follows in this document is an opportunity to reflect on the school's journey in helping the school community have and demonstrate a heart for the Earth (in the context of climate change, wider ecological issues and climate anxiety). There is also an opportunity to look forward: what next? How might continue this important work in safeguarding the planet for the present and future.

If you would like to update the schools team with some of your reflections, you can do so here:

<https://forms.office.com/e/n8RbK4hXPY>



We are always looking for ways that we can support diocesan schools in this important area.

Highlights, Headaches, Horizons

Highlights



What have been some of the highlights and impact in engaging with Heart for the Earth and other endeavours/actions in helping the school community to have and demonstrate a heart for the Earth? What's gone well?



Headaches

What are some of the challenges in helping the school community have and demonstrate a heart for the Earth? (e.g. climate anxiety, time)
What's not gone so well?



Horizons

What might some next steps be in helping the school community have and demonstrate a heart for the Earth? For instance, across:

- curriculum
- collective worship
- courageous advocacy
- culture