

social enterprise: doing good through business

support your community



Gremlins Cycle Centre teaches safe cycling in Oldham

protect your environment



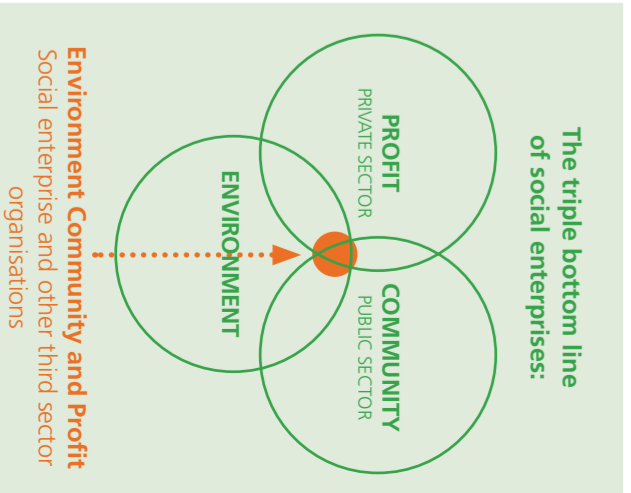
Pupils and staff in Curitiba, Brazil, grow food on a school allotment



Emerge Recycling and local pupils tackle waste issues at the City of Manchester Stadium

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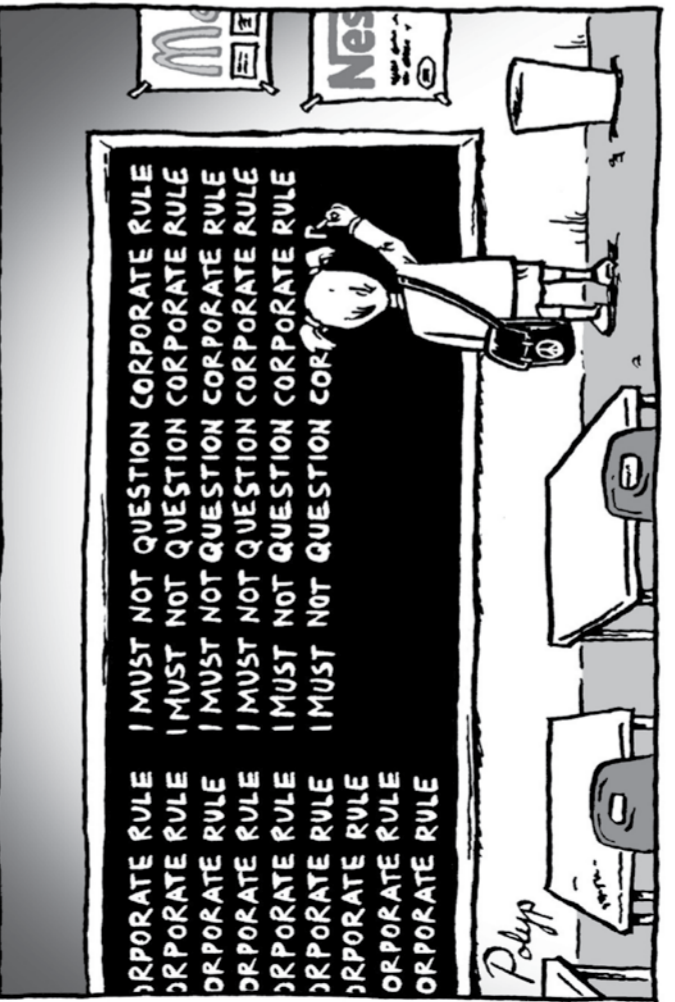


What is social enterprise?

How education benefits social enterprise?

Social enterprise education will help to:

- make links with local businesses that have the same specialism;
- meet many elements of the curriculum, as well as targets for SEAL, ECM, Healthy Schools, Eco Schools, Sustainable Schools, etc;
- influence the wider school community in adopting more sustainable habits and practices.



By learning about and engaging with social enterprises, students will:

- meet positive, inspiring role models;
- practice first-hand the variety of skills needed to run an effective project;
- come up with creative, enterprising ways to help local and global communities and/or protect the environment;
- understand social enterprise's triple bottom line of environment, community and profit;
- learn about the changing environmental and economic climates predicted for their future;
- appreciate the reward of doing good, rather than simply making money.



Social enterprise education curriculum links:
Citizenship: Rights and Responsibilities (1.2), Key Processes (2.1-2.3), Range and Content (3a,h,i,k,m,n), Curriculum Opportunities (4a-i).
PSHE & Work Related Learning: Key Concepts (1.1-1.4), Key Processes (2.1-2.3), Range and Content (3a,b,f,g,k), Curriculum Opportunities (4a,c,d,g,i).
Personal Wellbeing: Key Concepts (1.2, 1.3), Key Processes (2.1-2.3), Curriculum Opportunities (4a-4e)
Also supports:
Religious and Moral Education: values and moral issues.
Geography: global resources and over consumption, environmental protection, social and economic implications of climate change.
Design and Technology: logos, packaging and promotion.
IT: analysing and presenting information.
English: writing to analyse, critical literacy, discussion and debate.

"Entrepreneurial Spirit" is a combination of ambition, the need to create, the taste for risk, the refusal of failure, relentless work, and dedication." - STEDIM

Social enterprise education case studies

Making links:

Manchester Development Education Project (DEP) aims to help people to achieve a more just and sustainable world, in their schools, communities and more widely, in which power and resources are more fairly shared by all.
Email: info@dep.org.uk Website: www.dep.org.uk

The Social Enterprise Coalition is the UK's national body for social enterprise.
Email: info@socialenterprise.org.uk Website: www.socialenterprise.org.uk

Social enterprises:

The Co-operative College provides inspirational learning and resources based on co-operative values and principles for individuals and their organisations both in the UK and around the world.
Email: enquiries@co-op.ac.uk Website: www.co-op.ac.uk

Emerge recycling is a social enterprise promoting the 3Rs of sustainable waste management: Reduce, Re-use, Recycle.
Email: schools@emergemanchester.co.uk Website: www.emergemanchester.co.uk

Gremilns Cycle Centre wants to see "More people cycling, more often, more safely" and provides community cycling support including education, training and bicycle recycling to achieve this.
Email: info@gremilnsc.co.uk Website: http://gremilnsc.org/

homeworkcomputer provides recycled computers, installed, with twelve months of help and support, for about half the price of buying a new computer.
Email: enquiries@homeworkcomputer.co.uk Website: www.homeworkcomputer.co.uk

Krata runs community engagement projects in schools, community groups and workplaces encouraging action on sustainability.
Email: jessica@krata.co.uk Website: www.krata.co.uk

Pow-wow eco arts is dedicated to raising awareness of environmental issues through artistic projects and social inclusion.
Email: pow_wowit@yahoo.co.uk Website: www.powwow-ecoarts.org.uk

Street style surgery promotes pride, innovation, creativity and confidence through fashion design.
Email: sissy.rooney@gmail.com Website: www.streetstylesurgery.co.uk

Yaparamma aims to empower and enable personal, social, community transformation, growth and development through positive engagement and participation in the Arts.
Email: info@yaparamma.co.uk Website: www.yaparamma.co.uk



A cycle maintenance workshop in Beaver School, Oldham



Samples from a Street Style Surgery fashion workshop



Gremilns Cycle Centre, Oldham
Gremilns began in 2004 as a community and voluntary group. Realising many local children were riding unsafe bikes, Gremilns started fixing brakes and punctures, and made recycled bicycles out of old parts. Since then they have become a social enterprise which provides free cycle proficiency training and bike maintenance classes to local schools and youth clubs.

Graeme Marquez, one of Gremiln's originators, says "We want to see more people cycling, more often, more safely. As every group's needs are different we ensure the solutions are tailor-made and appropriate."

Useful contacts



"If at first the idea is not absurd, then there is no hope for it." - Albert Einstein

Contact DEP to help set up a project in your school and involve a local Social Enterprise.