The Planet Youth project



Maximising the Impact of the Planet Youth Survey in Schools

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Why use the Planet Youth Survey in education settings?



The **Planet Youth Survey** is part of the Irish adaptation of the **Icelandic Prevention Model** and provides:

- . **Rich data** on student wellbeing, behaviour, and risk factors.
- Insights into trends in sleep, substance use, mental health, smart device usage, school engagement, and many other areas.
- Practical recommendations tailored to school communities.
- Cross-tabulations that provide further insight.

















School and Area Reports





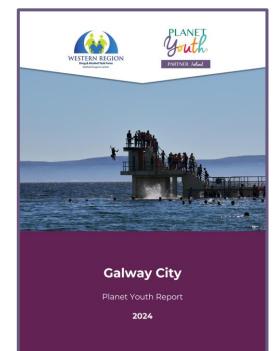
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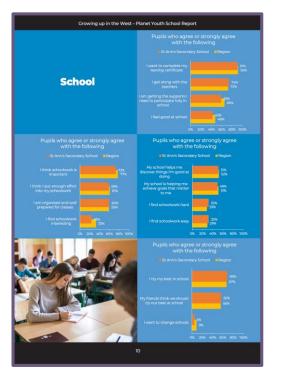


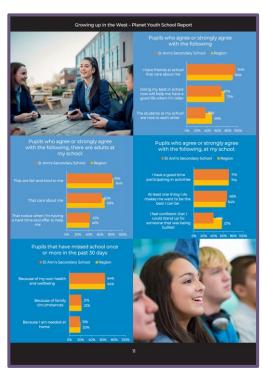




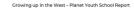
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The Planet Youth project and survey findings can be used by schools in the following ways:

School Leadership and Management

- To inform school self-evaluation and school improvement plans as outlined in the <u>Wellbeing</u> Policy Statement and Framework for Practice and School Self-Evaluation: Next Steps documents
- 2. To support policy development and policy review.
- 3. To help pastoral care teams identify strengths and deficits in student support.

Learning and Teaching

- 1. To support implementation of the Junior Cycle Wellbeing Guidelines
- In planning units of wellbeing learning
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 in planning the use of guest speakers or external facilitators
- 2. To support the delivery of wellbeing curricula in Senior Cycle.
- Utilise <u>The Facts</u> website to inform and support the delivery of modules in both Junior and Senior Cycle SPHE.
- Deliver <u>The Importance of Sleep</u> teaching module within Junior Cycle wellbeing hours or as part of a wellbeing week.

Collaboration With Stakeholders

- Distribute the Planet Youth <u>Guidelines for Parents</u> booklet to the incoming first year parents.
 Consider incorporating the Planet Youth key prevention messaging as part of first-year parent
- information evenings. 3. Highlight the Planet Youth <u>Step Up</u> school transition website if hosting sixth class parent
- information sessions. 4. Use the Planet Youth data and resources to promote partnership and strengthen engagement
- with parents and with local agencies (HSCL, SCP, HSE, Tusla, Youth Services).

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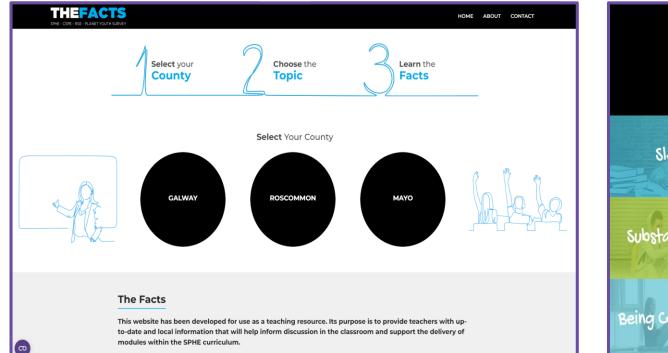






SPHE Website - TheFacts

















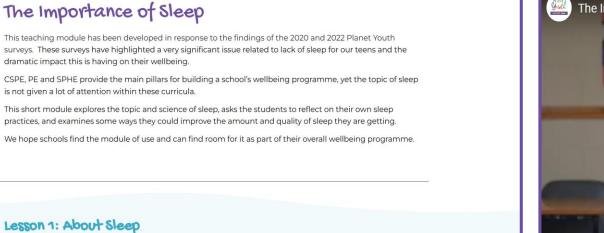








Sleep teaching module on TheFacts site























How Schools Have Used Planet Youth Reports – cont'd



SPHE & RSE Curriculum Development

• Data informs teaching on substance use, relationships, and digital wellbeing.

Selecting External Speakers & Interventions

^o Schools use findings to choose **relevant guest speakers** (e.g., on vaping, mental health).

Focusing on 'One Good Adult' Initiatives

• Encouraging strong **student-adult relationships** in the school community.

Provision Mapping

• Aligning **student support services** based on identified needs.

















Schools Subgroup



The Planet Youth Schools Subgroup is composed of school leaders, wellbeing coordinators, guidance counsellors, HSCL, programme coordinators etc from throughout Connacht working to:

- Better utilise Planet Youth school reports.
- Examine both the content of the data and the recommendations provided.
- Share best practice examples of how schools are already using the reports effectively.

















Conclusion – Making the most of the Planet Youth Data



The Schools Subgroup is committed to:

- Maximising the impact of the survey on student wellbeing.
- 。 Using evidence-based strategies to drive meaningful change.
- Encouraging a **collaborative approach** across schools.

"Together, with this rich data we can create a healthier, more supportive and more tailored school environment for our students."















