

We love hearing from you!

- thank you to the many who let us know they sent submissions to the two recent public consultations, in response to our <u>September eblast</u>
- thanks to those of you who share with us what's happening where you're at and invite For Our Kids to be part of your actions
- and thanks to those who gently call us out when we mis-step: you push us to do better, and we're grateful

There is strength and support in numbers and that's what the For Our Kids network is about - parents, grandparents, aunties, uncles, and anyone who cares about kids connecting with each other to shape a liveable future - something that can feel overwhelming if we try to do it alone.



Ready to take something on together?

Check out any one or more of the actions below, or contact **natalie@forourkids.ca** for a more one-to-one chat about getting started, getting unstuck, and getting support for a project that matters to you.

In your neighbourhood: here's a great example from the Burnaby FOK team of a meaningful, kid-

friendly activity you could take on locally.

Speak up: are you fed up with Canada's banks financing fossil fuel projects that violate Indigenous rights and increase GHG emissions? Let **gabrielle@forourkids.ca** know you want to be part of FOK's team joining the national campaign pushing banks to change. Right now there is an urgent call to tell RBC that its support for the Coastal GasLink pipeline, which has already begun drilling under the sacred and critical waters of Wedzwin Kwa, is wrong, dangerous, and completely contrary to RBC's claims of supporting youth and a greener future. Find out more by following **Gidimt'en checkpoint**.

At school: if you have kids in school, get to know your school council - plenty of tips here. Are you interested in a healthier way for kids to get to school and school activities? Reach out to ruth@forourkids.ca to talk about electric school buses and active transportation options! You can sign up here for a special session on electric school buses on Nov. 2.

In your city or town: municipal and school board elections are being held this week in Manitoba and Ontario, and in early November in PEI. Vote for climate champions! Locally-elected representatives make decisions every day that shape how we experience the impact of climate change AND can shape practical solutions. Make informed choices and encourage everyone you know to do the same. Follow For Our Kids Ottawa-Gatineau and check out For Our Kids Toronto's survey of school board candidates.

Keep the pressure on: were you one of those who sent in a submission to the <u>public</u> <u>consultation</u> on how the federal government should regulate the reduction of emissions

from the oil & gas sector? The response to our Sept. eblast was great! Now, how about the next step: sharing your submission with your MP (if you haven't already) and asking to meet with them so you can share your thoughts in person. If that sounds a bit out of your comfort zone, there is help! We're supporting Climate Action Alliance's workshops on exactly how to do this, and we can connect you; just send a quick message to lella@forourkids.ca

Say hello! If you haven't attended a national welcome call join us on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>Oct.</u> **25** for an open, no-pressure but mighty supportive experience. And feel free to bring some friends along!

As always, please reach out to us at hello @forourkids.ca with any questions or comments. Or use our <u>Feedback Form</u> to suggest ways we can improve (or let us know what we're doing well). We always love to hear from you!

In gratitude and support, Natalie, Ruth, Lorna, Lella & Gabrielle

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