
AS Solar: Enthusiasm for lasting development

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After being originally intended as a two-year pilot project SnEK (School - lasting education - environmental protection) has turned into a worthwhile addition to the regular schedule of 10 all-day schools within the Hannover region. Convinced of the idea of lasting education, especially keeping current environmental and social problems in mind, AS Solar contributes financially to the realization of the concept. "The conscious dealing with topics relevant to the future as well as active participation in shaping the environment enables children to learn and internalize life styles for a future worth living for" said AS Solar's CEO Gerd Pommerien.

The goals are to sensitize students to topics like energy and climate protection and to save development opportunities of current and future generations. In an interactive and experience oriented atmosphere the students are able to acquire environmental knowledge and develop competence regarding problem solving and designing. Through individual detecting and solving of problems they learn concrete and effective ways of action for the day-to-day handling of alternative energies. In scientific experiments the students analyze the operating modes and energy requirements of electrical devices, determine the electricity requirements of the school lighting or study their environment in field trips. All together the inderdisciplinary afternoon classes also strengthen the awareness for responsible and socially conscious behavior.

Plans have been made to expand the Germany-wide unique program SnEK to schools in the Hannover region next school year with AS Solar as sponsor.