

Oxfordshire Schools Carbon & Energy Reduction Support

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Action on
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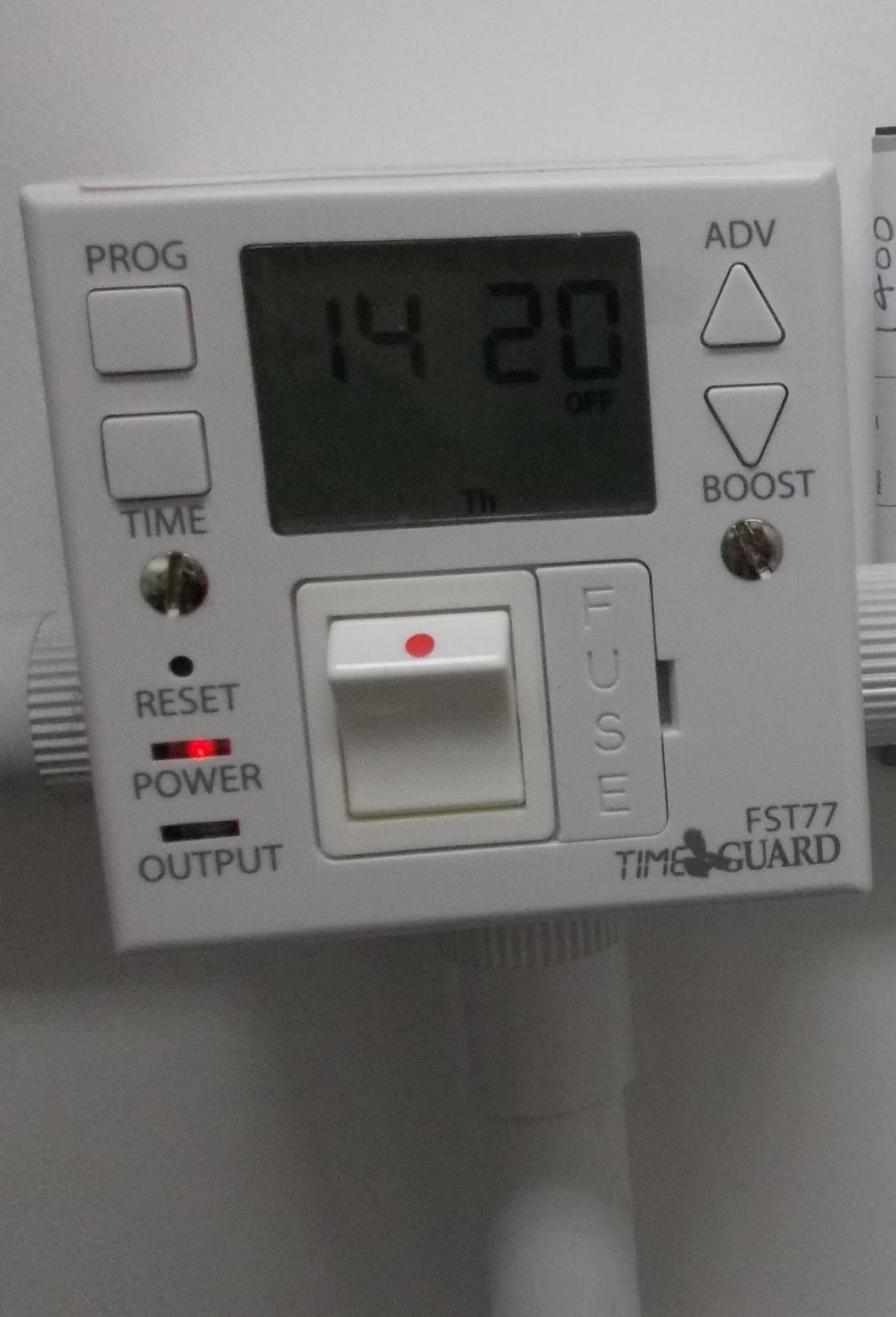
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Agenda

- ACES
- Interest free Energy Efficiency loan scheme
- Lets Go Zero 2030

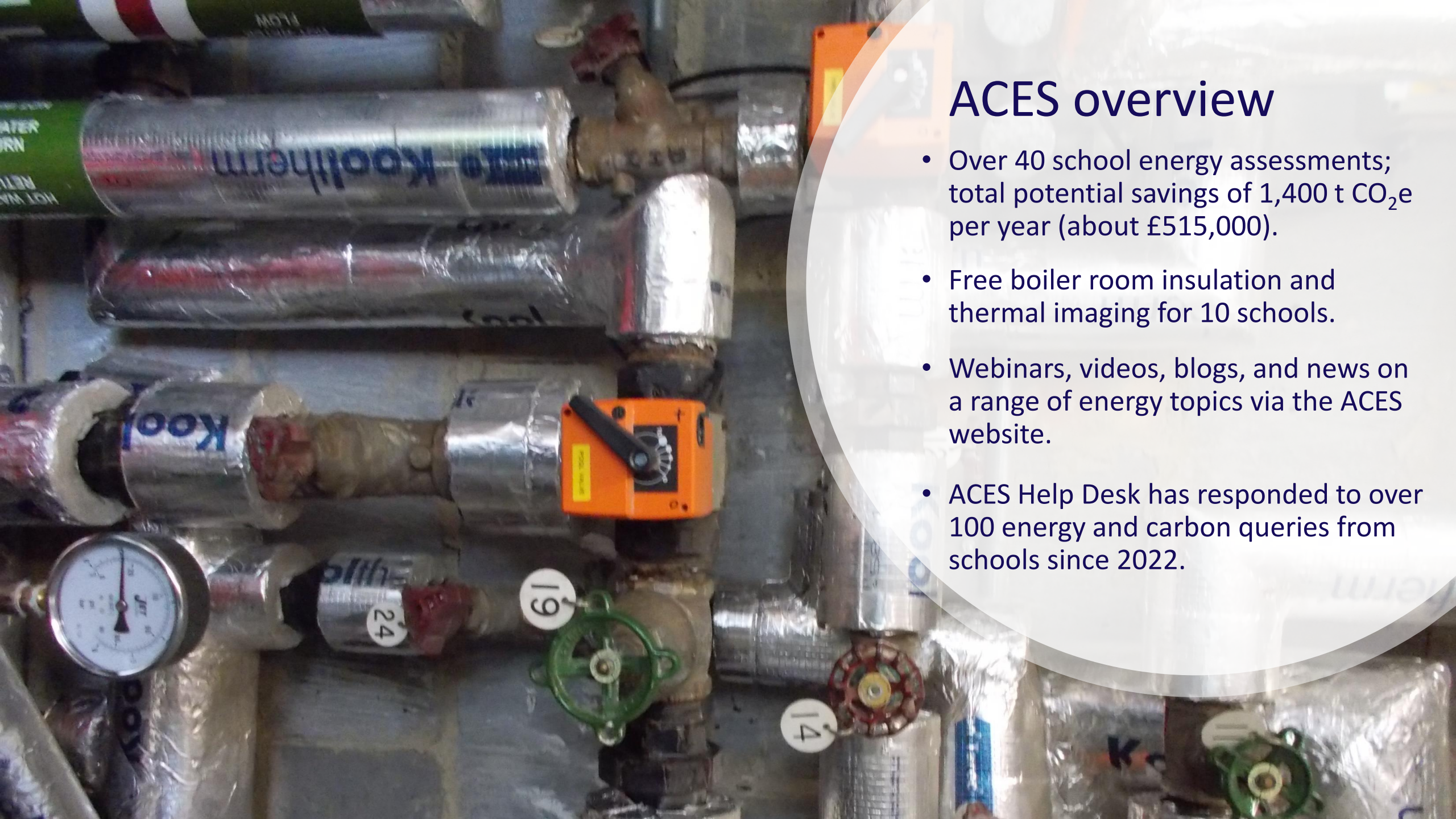


Action on Carbon and Energy in Schools (ACES)

Since 2022 Provides energy and carbon reduction support to help schools in Oxfordshire progress energy saving measures that will:

- Cut carbon emissions
- Save money on energy bills
- Make buildings more comfortable and healthier for staff and students.
- Dedicated helpdesk

Delivered by the Environmental Information Exchange (EiE) team at Oxford Brookes University, Low Carbon Hub, and funded by Oxfordshire County Council.



ACES overview

- Over 40 school energy assessments; total potential savings of 1,400 t CO₂e per year (about £515,000).
- Free boiler room insulation and thermal imaging for 10 schools.
- Webinars, videos, blogs, and news on a range of energy topics via the ACES website.
- ACES Help Desk has responded to over 100 energy and carbon queries from schools since 2022.



Schools Energy Efficiency Loan Scheme

- After a successful first round, OCC is re-launching its interest-free loan scheme with the remaining funding.
- For OCC maintained schools. Academies and schools consulting to become an academy are not eligible.
- Loans for LED lighting and / or solar PV panels; owned by the school.
- Up to £70,000; payback maximum 11 to 13 years, based on technology.



- 1. Sustainability Lead**
- 2. Climate Action Plan**

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By 2025, all education settings will have nominated a sustainability lead and put in place a climate action plan.

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What should a Climate Action Plan include?



4 key areas:

- Decarbonisation
- Adaptation and resilience
- Biodiversity
- Climate education and green careers



Loan scheme: what to do

- Please visit: <https://ace-schools.org/>
- To request a loan pack or support for Lets Go Zero 2030, email: info@ace-schools.org
- Please mention the loan scheme to colleagues at other OCC maintained schools.



Find out more and get involved

- Visit www.ace-schools.org
- Request a loan pack by email
- Inform other maintained schools about loan
- Join ACES newsletter; request an energy assessment (waiting list)
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