

PEACETHREAD



Peacethread is a faith based project creating opportunities and spaces for young people from a diverse range of faiths and cultures to enter into dialogue with each other and representatives from interfaith groups.



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Peacethread was initiated in response to a need amongst young people to deepen their understanding of how faith links to action and to develop tolerance of the diversity of faith and culture in local communities.

The Peacethread project focuses on running conferences for young people on global issues and themes such as Peace, Reconciliation and Forgiveness. In conjunction with the conferences Peacethread delivers seminars in schools to enable young people to deepen their understanding of how faith links to action. The main aims are to promote interfaith tolerance and understanding and for young people of all faiths and none to be in conversation with each other regarding key issues for the 21st century.



During the conferences and seminars participants are encouraged to set up student led 'Peacethread Movements' (action groups) in order to continue to raise awareness of global issues and build relationships between young people from different faith and cultural backgrounds.

The teaching and learning ethos of Peacethread is based around a cooperative pedagogy. In other words students are more than merely recipients in the learning process. All learners are encouraged to participate in the Peacethread project as equal partners who are able to reflect, contribute and act on issues being considered.

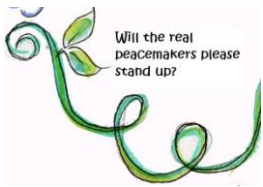


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Peacethread aims and objectives:

Aims

- Raise awareness of the relationship between faith and action
- Promote interfaith dialogue through active group participation and conversation
- Enable learners to explore faith through tolerant, deep understanding of each other

Objectives

- Coordinate learner led interfaith conferences promoting interfaith dialogue on global issues
- Establish learner led action groups to enable understanding of the relationship between faith and active citizenship
- Engage learners in independent development of personal, learning and thinking skills
- Produce resources to be delivered at Peacethread conferences and within action groups
- To host a Peacethread website/blog to share ideas
- Raise funds through applications made to charities, government agencies and through work with individual schools and colleges



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