



Bridges Schools E-Bulletin – Spring 2012

Supporting Schools Making Global Connections

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1. Opportunities

CPD Opportunities

i. The Olympics – an amazing global opportunity for Secondary Schools

A lively interactive session designed to help you make the most of the global learning opportunities presented by the Olympics. We will look at bringing Olympic and Paralympic values into your school and explore ways of celebrating both Olympic and everyday heroes and heroines.

Thursday 26th January 2012, 4.00 – 6.00 pm at Phoenix School, Dawley Telford

Only £25 per person or £40 for 2 members of staff from one school.

To book contact admin@bridgesglobal.org.uk or ring 01952 255526.

We are also running in-house CPD sessions on the Olympics for **primary schools**. Ring for more details.

ii. The Global Teachers Award



'I really enjoyed taking part in the Level 1 training day. It has given me great enthusiasm to share the ideas and activities back at school and to teach such important issues in a creative, inspiring way.'
Participant, GTA Course, Nov 11

Our next training day for the new national Global Teachers Award Level 1 is on **Wednesday 1st February 9.15 am- 4.00 pm** in Telford. This 6 hour course for KS1-4 teachers is full of discussion and practical ideas for getting the global dimension into the classroom.

£125 for whole day including lunch and registration for the award.
To book contact admin@bridgesglobal.org.uk or ring 01952 255526.

*iii. Global Education in Partnership – Thursday 2nd February 9.30 – 3.30 pm,
Bridges Education Centre, Telford*

How can a global school partnership enhance teaching and learning? Free one day workshop to explore the meaning of global education and consider the opportunities that arise within a school partnership. The workshop is for staff who wish to develop a global dimension through joint curricular work with colleagues in partner schools. For more information or to book a place on this course email louise.greer@britishcouncil.org.

Workshops



Fairtrade workshops

Preparing for Fairtrade Fortnight? We offer a number of workshops about Fairtrade for KS1 -4. These are highly interactive, stimulating and fun.

Workshops for KS1-2 last a half day and help pupils empathise with producers' lives e.g.

Growing bananas in Ghana/Windward Islands

Cocoa in West Africa

Tea in Kenya

The fashion industry and India

Workshops for KS3-4 last for 50 – 70 minutes and can focus on trade/ Fairtrade or Fairtrade and fashion as part of a Focus Day.

Till April - only £170 plus travel for a full day.

Life without Taps

Half day workshop for KS2 What's it like to live without taps in your house? This workshop includes a simulation game to help pupils imagine life without taps as well as structured discussion about real people's lives in Tanzania.

Till April - only £170 plus travel for a full day i.e. 2 sessions.

And there's more....

We offer many more in-house/ cluster CPD sessions and workshops. Our programme till Easter 2012 is available to download from our website. Why not make a date with schools in your cluster?

2. Get Involved Next Term - events with a global connection and links to help mark them

27th January Holocaust Memorial Day <http://hmd.org.uk/>
4th February UNICEF Day for Change <http://www.unicef.org.uk/Get-Involved/Your-organisation/Schools/Day-for-Change-2012/>
27th February – 11th March Fairtrade Fortnight
http://www.fairtrade.org.uk/get_involved/campaigns/take_a_step_in_2012.aspx
Shropshire Fairtrade – <http://shropshire-fairtrade.org.uk>
You can order sale or return boxes of Fairtrade goods for your events from two Shrewsbury shops:
Shrewsbury Fairtrade Shop, 8 St John's Hill, Shrewsbury - Tel: 01743 352048.
And Albert, 27 Wyle Cop, Shrewsbury – Tel: 01743 588422.
Please make your order in good time to ensure items are available.

8th March International Women's Day <http://www.internationalwomensday.com/>
22nd World Water Day <http://www.unwater.org/worldwaterday/>

3. Resources - a selection of new or topical resources for teachers

Heroes and Heroines – Carrying the torch for a fairer world



Bridges' Heroes and Heroines resource now has the prestigious Inspire Mark, the badge of the London 2012 Inspire Programme. Find out why the Olympic and Paralympic values are needed now and how we can join with famous and everyday heroes and heroines to make the world a fairer, more equal place.

Primary and secondary resource packs available to download free from http://www.bridgesglobal.org.uk/resources_to_download_schools.html

Holocaust Memorial Day 27th January. Teaching resources for Speak Up, Speak Out, the theme for Holocaust Memorial Day 2012 are now available on the HMD education website. <http://education.hmd.org.uk>.

Fair's Fair Fantastic teacher's resource with lots of ideas for lesson plans and activities to get pupils thinking about the sports industry and those who produce sportswear. For 9 – 13 year olds. <http://www.labourbehindthelabel.org/resources/item/1002-fairs-fair-teaching-pack>

4. Events with a global theme in the local area

Come and See - new local global art work

In collaboration with Bridges, The Project Group based in Oswestry has produced a stunning, original piece of art work. This will be on display at Oswestry Library from Monday 9th January. The art work explores local and global themes of poverty and inequality, including the UN's Goals to reduce poverty.

MDG Countdown Conferences

Our next two pupil led schools conferences showcasing work towards the Millennium Development Goals to reduce poverty by 2015 are on the following dates:

Thursday 15th March at Blessed Robert Johnson Catholic College, Wellington
Wednesday 21st March at The Community College, Bishop's Castle

Each of these conferences will involve around 100 KS2 and 3 pupils from the secondary school and feeder primary schools. There are a small number of places available to pupils or teachers from other schools to take part in these transition days with a difference, where Yr 6 and Yr 7 pupils give presentations and deliver workshops for each other on global issues such as water, Fairtrade and equality. Contact sylvia@bridgesglobal.org.uk for more details.

5. About the eBulletin

Bridges works with schools and communities across Shropshire and Telford & Wrekin to raise awareness of global issues. The e-news is to keep schools in the locality of Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin informed of global issues, campaigns and action.

Contribute to the e-Bulletin

If you'd like to tell us what your school is doing on the Global Dimension, we would love to hear from you. Just email a link or a short article, with any permitted photos you'd also like to share, and we will add this to our next e-bulletin as appropriate.

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Bridges promotes knowledge and learning in Shropshire for a fairer world.

Our vision is a fairer world where all people are respected, learn together and are able to take action.

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