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September 2015

Welcome to our September newsletter. We hope you all had a lovely summer.

The new 2015 – 2016 global wall planner is available from www.globaldimension.org.uk/calendar

No doubt you have been shocked by the scenes unfolding in the Mediterranean and the plight of so many refugees. If you would like any support with teaching about these issues do get in touch as we can offer assemblies and workshops. We also have some great stimuli for P4C enquiries which will get children thinking about refugees, conflict resolution, friendship and human rights.

A new resource page on the Global Dimension website exploring the current refugee crisis. Includes useful links, teaching ideas and suggestions for ways to take action.

<https://globaldimension.org.uk/news/item/20394>

It is now time to renew your **membership** for 2015/2016 with CDEC. We've sent out forms and invoices and you can also go to our website to download a form. Membership is definitely worth it – you can borrow resources, hire artefacts and get significant discounts on CPD courses.

Please take a look at our new website www.cheshiredec.org. You will be able to **download our course fliers and view our calendar for upcoming events along with lots of other materials.**

Impact of P4C

CDEC has long been an advocate and user of Philosophy for Children, so delighted that there has been so much publicity around the publication of the Education Endowment Foundation research project. This research concludes that Philosophy for Children has a positive impact on outcomes for KS2 attainment and especially suggests that P4C has the biggest positive impact on Key Stage 2 results among disadvantaged pupils.

A link to both the full and summary reports is shown below.

<https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/projects/philosophy-for-children/>

If you would like to develop P4C in your school do contact us, we have lots of support and ideas we can offer.

Our Autumn Level 1 course is now fully booked but places still available on the Spring course – details overleaf.

RE-Think - using P4C and other strategies to improve children's thinking in RE.

Friday 16th October 2015
9.30am - 3.00pm

Using P4C in RE can help to:

- develop children's ability to think; question; articulate and justify their thoughts in RE
- help them to explore religious and philosophical concepts in depth, raising their level of understanding in RE
- increase engagement, motivation and interest in RE
- help to develop respect for differing ideas and beliefs.



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On the course we will:

- Look at different concepts that we can explore in RE; engage in a range of activities that use P4C and other approaches to explore concepts in RE; help you to apply these approaches into your own planning.

Venue: Clever Training Suite, Watergate House, Watergate Street, Chester. CH 1 2LF

Cost: £150 members £225 non-members (inc refreshments & lunch)

Global Teachers Award



Wednesday 4th November 2015
9.30am - 4.00pm

Venue: Clever Training Suite, Watergate House, Watergate Street, Chester.

Cost: £150 member's £220 non-members (inc refreshments & lunch) You can use your e-credits to pay for this course.

This 1 day course provides primary and secondary teachers with the reflective space to explore concepts, knowledge increased understanding of the key approaches related to global learning, and how this relates to our practice as teachers. The course outcomes are: concepts, practices and perspectives associated with education for a just and sustainable world (global learning).

Exploring British Values



Wednesday 11th November 2015
9:30am-3:00pm

Venue: Doubletree by Hilton Hotel, Chester

Cost: £150 member's £220 non-members (inc refreshments & lunch) You can use your e-credits to pay for this course

Course aims:

- Understanding how to promote, informed active global citizenship and provide a classroom environment which values democracy
- Ways you can offer the pupils a range of different perspectives and question the assumptions behind them
- Opportunities to explore the concept of values and linking your own school values to 'British' values
- A chance to develop a school policy for British Values, linked to Equality and SMSC policies
- All participants will receive a pen drive which includes 66 posters representing British Values and ideas.

Rights Respecting School – UNICEF

Thursday 26th
November 2015
10.00am – 4.00pm



Looking for new ways forward with SMSC, inclusive practice, British Values and Global Citizenship?
This UNICEF 1 day course will enable exploration of Values, Needs, Wants and



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Rights and outline how to begin the journey towards becoming a Rights respecting School.

Venue: Doubletree by Hilton, Chester
Cost: £140 including Lunch You can use your e-credits to pay for this course.



Philosophy for Children Level 1 **SAPERE 2 day certified course**

Friday 29th January & Friday 4th March 2016 9.15 – 4.00pm

This two day course will use presentation, enquiry, workshop and planning sessions to:

- Introduce the theory and practice of P4C
- Provide techniques for developing children's thinking and philosophical skills
- Suggest experimental techniques to encourage questioning and enquiry Connect P4C with the curriculum
- Present and demonstrate useful resources

Venue: Doubletree by Hilton, Chester
Cost: £295 for members, £355 for non-members. Use your e-credits to pay for this course.



Claim some high-quality CDEC Global training through the Global Learning Programme - paid for by the Government!

Get your school involved in the innovative, five-year **Global Learning Programme**, and the Government will pay the cost for you to train with CDEC on bringing global learning into your teaching or leadership.

The **Global Learning Programme (GLP)** is a significant project funded by UK

Government to promote awareness and understanding of global issues from KS2 to KS3.

Just take these three easy steps to get your training:

Step 1: Register your school for the [Global Learning Programme](#)

Step 2: Complete an audit of global learning

Step 3: Access your training and support - paid for by the Government.

The Courses that CDEC is offering which you can spend your e-credits on are:

- Going for Goals! – teaching + learning about the millennium Development Goals
- Bringing the world into the classroom – what is development?
- Thing Global through P4C
- Human Rights – what our children need to know
- Global learning through global dates + weeks
- Globalisation – what's it all about?
- When disaster strikes
- Global steps – idea for taking responsible action to reduce global poverty



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- Global Teachers Award Level 1
- Level 1 Philosophy For Children (just going through the process of GLP accreditation)
- The richness and diversity of South and Central America

We look forward to working with you.

Dates to remember this half term:

Weds Sept 16th – Ozone Day
 Mon 21st Sept – International Day of Peace
 Sat 26th Sept – European Day of Languages
 Sun 27th Sept – World’s largest lesson week begins.

Thurs 1st Oct – Black History Month
 Fri 2nd Oct – International Day of Non Violence.
 Mon 5th Oct – World Teachers Day
 Fri 16th Oct – World Food Day
 Fri 30th Oct – World Cities Day.

Artefact collections for hire 2015 - 2016

Country Collections

- Brazil
- China
- Ghana
- India
- Kenya
- Mexico
- Nigeria
- Peru
- South Africa
- Uganda
- Zimbabwe

Religious Collection

- Christianity
- Diwali
- Hinduism
- Islam
- Judaism
- Sikhism

Other Collections

- Aborigine
- Adinkra Print Blocks
- Indian Print Blocks

Artefact Collections

Our collections are available to hire for half termly periods for a fee of £15.00. The hire period dates are:

7th September – 21st October
2nd November – 16th December



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