

DDE Resources

Global Dimension Wall planner (available for FREE through DDE) - A diverse and inclusive wall planner for use in both Primary and Secondary schools.

The theme of the 2020-21 Global Learning Wall Planner is 'Values for a Connected World'. Through discussion questions, facts and challenges students will expand their understanding of key global days and festivals, and learn the importance of values in creating a more compassionate, sustainable future. The content is designed to be easily adapted, and is therefore suitable for both primary or secondary students.

This can be obtained for FREE through DDE. If you are interested, please email dde@globalcentredevon.org.uk mentioning "wallplanner" in your subject heading.

<https://globaldimension.org.uk/global-days/>

The Japanese Philosophy of Kintsugi - **KS1/KS2** assembly or activity that looks at the philosophy of pottery, that is broken and then mended with gold, is treasured

The last few months have been challenging for everyone, but particularly children. Some have not seen their friends for months, some may have lost relatives, all have had their lives impacted greatly. Kintsugi looks at the potential fortune in misfortune. When a pot is broken, it is mended with gold lacquer and is arguably more beautiful and valuable than before. Although we would not wish for the pandemic, there are positives that we could draw from it, and things that we now appreciate greatly that we may have taken for granted before. This could be turned into a class activity, where a papier mache pot is "broken", and each child decorates a piece to reflect their thoughts etc. This could also be posed as a home activity for the first term back, or even an assembly. The core idea being that misfortune can provide beautiful opportunities for growth, development and appreciation.

TOSFOR - Reach Out, Reach In Challenge - An activity exploring connections between people and places for **KS1 or KS2**.

After months of isolation, we now find ourselves easing back into a new "normal". Connections are going to be rediscovered, particularly in the classroom. This is a lovely activity that gets children thinking about their personal connections between people and places. As connections are rekindled, this could be a poignant reflective writing activity for KS2 or more of an oral "show and tell" activity for KS1.

<https://www.tellingourstoriesdevon.org.uk/2020/04/01/reach-out-reach-in>

Calm - a mindfulness app that can be used in schools. **Mindfulness workshop opportunity.**

Calm is a multi award winning app that offers various guided sessions for a whole host of purposes. It is usually a paid subscription service but is offered to schools for free. They are currently improving the program and have halted new applications for the moment, but it is certainly worth keeping an eye on.

Mindfulness workshops designed by teachers are also available. We have a practitioner, Sandhya Dave, at DDE who is able to run a six week course especially designed to introduce and guide your class through the Mindfulness in Schools Project. Mindfulness teachers insets are also available.

<https://mindfulnessinschools.org/>

<https://www.calm.com/>