

peacemakers

3 Day Accredited Restorative Practitioner training (Schools)

A restorative approach offers an alternative way of addressing discipline and behavioural issues and offers a consistent framework for responding to these issues. The aim of this training is to contribute to the building of a strong, mutually respectful, safe, inclusive and peaceful school community.

This intensive course is for school staff who want to facilitate restorative practices such as formal conferences, corridor and playground chats and class circles. It is suitable for Senior and Middle Leaders, Pastoral Staff, SenCos, Family Workers and class teachers. Ideally, the person attending the course will be able to implement changes when back in school.

This course has been approved by the Restorative Justice Council.

Where: The Priory Rooms, Birmingham, B4 6AF When: Thursdays 8th, 15th & 22nd November 2018

Cost: £350-450 per person (early bird offers, check out eventbrite

Other info: All refreshments, lunch and resources will be provided. We are limiting the number of participants to 12.



Green Lens – a new photography and video competition



Peacemakers' sister project the Northfield Eco Centre is running <u>Green Lens</u>, a photography and video competition for 16-25 year olds in Birmingham.

The project will allow young people to have their voice heard regarding green issues that are important to their, and our collective future.

Submissions will be made using smartphones – technology at hand that is part of young people's everyday lives. The winning submissions will be exhibited in a final exhibition at Mac Birmingham in September.

More information on the project, how to book workshops and how to submit can be found at www.greenlens.org.uk



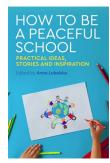
Peacemakers chapters in books

Two books on education have been published and we are very excited that Anna Gregory and Jackie Zammit have written a chapter in each!

How to be a Peaceful School, edited by Anna Lubelska. Jessica Kingsley Publishers.

This inspiring guide provides primary, secondary and special schools with practical methods to improve pupil and teacher wellbeing, combat bullying, and promote peace both inside and outside the school gates.

The book is edited by the founder of the Peaceful Schools Movement, which gives awards to schools working to promote peace. You can order your copy at www.jkp.com (for 10% off use code: Y18).





Faith and Experience in Education: Essays from Quaker perspectives edited by Anne Watson and Don Rowe. Trentham Publishers.

This book emerges from a deep concern about the direction of educational policy in the last decade and its effects on children, teachers and school leaders. It addresses contemporary issues from the perspectives of justice, peace, equality and truth, and is informed by Quaker approaches to these values. It presents a coherent approach to education, including subject teaching, that resonates with the authors' deep integrity in practice and in making sense of education. You can order this book at www.ucl-ioe-press.com.

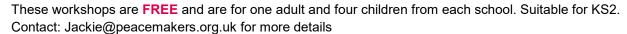


Peace Hub Workshops - Junior Peacemakers

We will be running our popular Junior Peacemakers workshops at the Peace Hub throughout the year. The next one is '*Creating Healthy Schools*' and will run on June 18th and 25th from 09:45-14:30. The aim is to inspire Junior Peacemakers to promote healthy living and well-being in their schools.

These workshops will:

- Explore the relationship between well-being and inner peace
- Inspire children through taster activities to promote well-being
- Skill-up children to promote well-being with their peers.





Relationship Building in the classroom



We build class relationships through circle time, integrating the class and the teacher, and giving everyone conflict resolution skills for when those inevitable fall outs happen. With weekly circle-time sessions delivered by one of our Peacemakers trainers, students develop social and communication skills, emotional literacy and techniques for responding to conflict. These sessions are usually run over a term. Bursaries are available to help schools fund this work. Contact: Jackie@peacemakers.org.uk for more details



Bear with us

Our Director, Sara is off at the moment having fallen and damaged her knee (whilst at a Peace Education conference in Turkey!) This means we are short-staffed in the office this term. Please do bear with us during this time

Activity - What is Peace?

Start discussions with children and staff about the idea of 'peace' and what it means to them. What does it feel like? Look like? Smell like? In small groups ask them to write words or pictures on a large piece of paper to share their understanding of peace.

Responses may include symbols of peace, places where they feel peaceful, family and friends, different words for peace. In debriefing ask questions such as:

- Where is peaceful in school?
- Is peace always quiet?
- Where is not peaceful in school?
- Who is responsible for peace?



Best wishes,

Sara, Anna, Jackie & Doreen—The Peacemakers Team