



# ST VINCENT'S SCHOOL

A Specialist School for Sensory Impairment and Other Needs

## Journey for Peace #2020 for 2030

### OVERVIEW

Our ultimate aim is that you will bring your school community together into an awareness of Visual Impairment (VI) and collectively our communities into action supporting VI communities around the world. The aims are:

- To support 2020 Visually Impaired (VI) children and young people into employment by 2030
- To bring people together via their school communities of learning through five simple steps adaptable to the school community your pupils learn within, but with the common goal of supporting and investing in VI young people around the world with VI access to sports and education equipment ( sightbox and ET Box)
- To bring the City Region together in delivering an international VI games in the summer of 2021 and through a musical celebration
- To connect and champion the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGS) through our collaborative and connected ACTION (Goal 17 Partnerships Goals 3.4.5.8.10 health and wellbeing, quality education, gender equality , decent work and economic growth , reduced inequalities)

### **To achieve these aims together, there are five steps as follows:**

1. A school assembly using the 'Journey **of** Peace' essay as a lead in to engage your pupils into action with their own but connected 'Journey **for** Peace' #2020 for 2030.
2. The use of 7 comics which split the Journey of Peace essay into 7 teaching and learning opportunities (Journey for Peace) adaptable to your school community.
3. A 'Widows' mite collection to help send educational resources to VI children anywhere in the World chosen by your pupils ( through the 'Sightbox' and/ or 'ET box' and /or collaborations to sponsor VI young people to attend an International VI Games in Liverpool Summer 2021
4. A T-shirt competition to reflect what the Journey for Peace meant for your pupils.

5. A physical or 'virtual' attendance at a musical celebration at a date to be arranged supported by music from East of Eli. Simultaneously, engagement with the International VI Games Summer 2021 made possible by City Region collaborations.

You may have a VI young person in school. Ideally we would ask if they could be given a leadership role across the project. We can advise on this specifically if you would like help.

### STEP ONE

We ask you to complete an assembly in your school using the PowerPoint attached. The 'Journey of Peace' essay will be read by its author as a means to set the project in motion and place it within a VI context. The assembly will present the project overview for your pupils to reflect on and consider their engagement. Start your Journey for Peace #2020 for 2030 on social media and follow Twitter @stvincentsL12

### STEP TWO

The 'Journey of Peace' essay is reflected in an online comic version 'Journey FOR Peace'. There are seven connected comics to be used at your own pace and to fit into your curricula (SMSC, 'British Values'). Each of the seven comics uses a City of Liverpool statue to present a key message for reflection, research and engagement. We provide a framework of ideas but encourage you to adapt reflections for the pupils in your school and your community. We have embedded some music to use as part of the reflections. This will lead into the final celebration (STEP FIVE)

### STEP THREE

We would ask for you to undertake 'widows mite' collection from your school to fund educational resources and access technologies to be sent to visually impaired pupils across the Commonwealth and around the world using the @sight box medium (sports equipment) and the 'ET' box medium (prescription sunglasses for children and young people with albinism). The focus is not massive fund raising but the connection of *social enterprise*. We will advise you on how to effectively seek 'match' funding and support from local Rotary and Lions clubs. You may also wish to collaborate in bringing VI young people to participate in the International Games planned for summer 2021 by helping to sponsor a child.

### STEP FOUR

A 'Journey for Peace' T-Shirt competition is open for pupils to design a peace T-shirt reflecting what they have learned from the project and embracing the music of East of Eli in readiness for a project celebration at a date to be arranged

### STEP FIVE

A musical celebration featuring East of Eli will celebrate the work undertaken across engaged schools in synergy with the projects international impact. We are looking for VI pupils in mainstream who may wish to engage with our music group in generating a Journey for Peace musical. This will work in synergy with our intention to run an International VI Games in the Summer of 2021

Please ensure you register for us to support you across the steps:

Register by email to [LizMcGovern@stvin.com](mailto:LizMcGovern@stvin.com) with school name, full address and lead teacher contact details . We are ready to take you through the 5 steps with the support and advice you need.