

**"LIFE, DEATH, WAR, PEACE, POLITICS, MONEY, SEX, VALUES, FAITH –  
WHATEVER..."**

**STUDENTS' PACK CONTENTS**

Please bring this pack and a pen with you on the day.

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### What it's all about...

We hope you will find the conference "Life, Death, War, Peace, Politics, Money, Sex, Values, Faith – Whatever..." interesting and useful. This exciting new venture has been jointly organised by Kingston Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education (SACRE) and Kingston Inter Faith Forum, and is funded by a grant from the government's Faith Communities Capacity Building Fund, with the aim of giving local students an insight into inter faith dialogue and ways of continuing that dialogue. Our half-day inter faith conference for young people in Kingston intends to model inter faith dialogue through discussion of the religious and ethical issues of the day, and the information in this pack is intended to help you to think about some of those issues before the conference, so that you can get the best out of the day. Some of the reasons for this conference are set out in the enclosed sheet *The importance of Inter Faith Dialogue – some recent views*.

During the conference you will have opportunities to:

- learn more about what others think and believe, and about the complexities and rewards of inter faith dialogue;
- think and talk about some of the religious and ethical issues of the day with other local students, aided by facilitators;
- question a multi-faith panel of experts;
- win a prize or certificate for an excellent contribution, oral or written\*.

If you would like to find out more about inter faith dialogue, you could look at the following websites:

- <http://www.diversityanddialogue.org.uk>, the website of Diversity and Dialogue, a multi-faith project to build better understanding between young people with different beliefs and from different communities by promoting dialogue and getting them engaged in local and global issues to realise shared values and put these values into practice. Project partners include CAFOD, Christian Aid, Citizenship Foundation, Islamic Relief, Jewish Council for Racial Equality, Muslim Aid, Oxfam, Save the Children and World Jewish Aid.
- <http://www.interfaith.org.uk>, the website of Inter Faith Network (UK), founded in 1987 to promote good relations between people of different faiths in this country. IFN(UK) resources include: *Connect: Different Faiths Shared Values* (enclosed in this pack, also downloadable); *Building Good Relations with People of Different Faiths and Beliefs*, guidelines for inter religious encounter and dialogue.

If you would like to find out more about any of the worldviews represented at the conference the following websites are a good place to start:

- <http://www.theredirectory.org.uk/> (use the Faith Communities Search)
- <http://www.religiouseducationcouncil.org/> (Use the Search facility to find faith groups.)

We look forward to seeing you on the day, and hope that you will enjoy the conference as well as learning a lot from it. We hope that you'll be able to rate yourself as Level 8 or EP (exceptional performance) on the Self Evaluation by the end of the morning.

*\*This might be a useful thing to talk about at job or college interviews!*