Lesson 12  Pupil Voice and Action

Lesson Aim
To encourage pupils to express their ideas for a better world through planning and implementing an action-based project

Pupils Will
Identify and research a specific global injustice issue
Identify actions that the whole class can take to address the issue
Negotiate and agree an overall class action project
Plan the delivery of the project

Lesson Support Resource 13
Action Project Proposal Form
Internet Access for Pupil Research Task

Activity 1: 40 – 60 minutes

Links to Pupil Learning Framework
1. Developing Knowledge and Understanding of Local and Global Issues
2. Cultivating Skills and Values to acquire:
   • Critical Thinking
   • Emotional Literacy
   • Metacognition
   • A Growth Mindset: attitudes and dispositions
   • Universal Values
Activity 1

Part A

- Explain to pupils that they are going to think about issues that they can address through a class action project
- Ask them to reflect on all the issues they have been learning about over the past number of weeks

Prompt Questions
- What would you like to see changed in the world?
- Who do you think has the power to make this change?
- What do you think you might be able to do to contribute to this change?

Part B

- Divide the class into groups of four or five
- Distribute Support Resource 13 to each group
- Each group should agree on an issue they would like to address
- They should research their issue, and complete their Support Resource 13 proposal form
- When the above has been completed each group should then present their Action Project Proposal to the wider class
- The class should then be invited to vote on which proposal they would all like to work collaboratively on through an Action Project

Action Project Ideas
- Become a Fairtrade School
- Host a school assembly to raise awareness of the chosen issue
- Make the school eco friendly
- Write and record a poem or song about the chosen issue
- Do a waste audit in your school
- Have a no energy day
- Create an ‘Educating the Heart’ pupil committee
- Create a shared creative project with a school in another part

Tip

Appendix D ‘Helping Pupils with their Action Project – A Checklist’