Dear Educators,

We are thinking of you during these challenging times and wishing you continued health and happiness as we navigate these uncertain waters.

We have put together a list of resources and support offers that might be of benefit to you and/or your students. These resources are suitable for primary or post primary students and are connected to the Educating the Heart programme and our approach to nurturing Compassionate Global Citizenship. All content and follow up activities can be adapted to suit the needs of your class.
Cultivating Resilience and Kindness

A daily reminder to be kinder - Video Assembly.

Children in Crossfire’s Educating the Heart team are creating some short videos based on the model of a “school assembly” to support you and your students during this difficult time. Right now we are living in:

• A global situation that shows our interdependence. We are all in the same boat.
• Changes and uncertainty
• The need to take care of our thoughts and emotions.

Educating the Heart wants to offer some simple practices to activate our soothing system and stories from around the world to remind us that we are together in this journey of transformation. It is a truly global moment!

You can access our first “Daily reminder to be kinder” Sample Video. We would be very grateful if you could answer a few questions questions to help us refine and adapt these to your students’ needs.
Tell us about your experience of **Educating the Heart**

**Share your experience here.**

Our Educating the Heart programme is being evaluated by Dr Katrina Collins and we would love to include your thoughts and experiences of the programme. Please consider completing this very **short survey** to help improve and shape our programme beyond 2021. Your data will be treated in confidence and will be stored in compliance with GDPR.

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**Apply for WWGS grant funding for your Compassionate Global Citizenship school actions!**

The WorldWise Global Schools Programme have **school grants** of €600 and up to €1,200 for Post Primary activities related to Global Citizenship Education/ESD. Grants also available for eligible NGOs/School Networks. [See leaflet here](#).

**Deadline:** Apply online by May 15th for funding for 2020/2021.

**Available support:**

WWGS are here to support schools over the phone/email and discuss the application with them, please contact our Education Officers **Laura, Aoife, or Lizzy**. You will find all of their contact details and the counties that they support in the **Grant Guidelines** which are [here](#) (see page 10 for counties and assigned Education Officer).

**Where do I get an application from?**

Please register [here](#) and we will set up an online account for you that will have a 2020/2021 application on there. **Find out more:** Please see our [website](#)
Lessons & resources for online learning

Ø  **Exploring forgiveness and compassion for post primary students**

This video resource will support children and young people to explore our CEO’s story of forgiveness and compassion. Alongside various video clips there are activities to cement learning and help young people explore complex emotions and feelings, and how these can influence our perspectives of other people.

Ø  **Going on a Journey- Exploring perspectives and challenging stereotypes**

This interactive game helps us to challenge the narratives and labels that divide us by breaking down the stereotypes that can influence our beliefs and behaviour towards other people. Teachers can use this to help explore the characters in your class novel or to begin to develop media literacy by critically examining the messaging and narratives that are shaped by the media alongside other external factors.

Ø  **Inequality Quiz- True or False**

Ø  **Global Issues Quiz - Post Primary and Teacher Notes**

Test yourself, and your students, with these informative quizzes on inequality around the world. Then support your students to take action by finding a campaign they can support online!

Ø  **Health and Happiness on Issue** - A guide to help to get crafty and create sustainable products using everyday items at home. Your students will LOVE the homemade shampoo!

Find out how schools across NI and ROI are implementing Educating the Heart programme
Apply for the free Compassionate Schools Award

We look forward to working with you and your students again! In the meantime, I really hope you and all your family and loved ones are safe and well.

All the best,

Donna and The Educating the Heart team