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## The World In Your Place

2005 sees the end of DEED's highly successful, 3-year project for Early Years practitioners, **To Begin at the Beginning**. On Saturday 5th March, DEED is hosting *The World in Your Place*, an event to celebrate the project's achievements and launch its new publication, which is full of tried and tested activities and ideas for practitioners to use in their settings. The event will include workshops on Global Crafts, Multicultural Britain, Children's Rights Around the World and many others; a keynote speech from Institute of Education

Professor Iram Siraj-Blatchford, and an opportunity to browse and buy global and multicultural resources and share ideas on how to bring global activities to life in your setting.

*The World in Your Place* will be held at the Springfield Country Hotel, near Wareham, Dorset and costs £10 per person (including lunch). For more information and to book a place contact DEED.



Bringing the world to Barbara Rose Pre-School in Bournemouth

## MAKE POVERTY HISTORY

TRADE JUSTICE.

DROP THE DEBT.

MORE & BETTER AID.

With Britain chairing both the G8 summit of the world's wealthiest nations and the European Union during 2005, this year offers an unprecedented opportunity to campaign for urgent and meaningful change. **The Make Poverty History** coalition brings together a cross-section of charities, campaigns, trade unions, faith groups and celebrities. Its aims can be summed up in just nine words: Trade Justice, Drop the Debt. More and Better Aid.

Forming the key focal point of Britain's chairmanship of the G8 will be a report from the Commission for Africa, launched by Tony Blair in February 2004 to help generate action for a strong and prosperous Africa.

From 10-16 April 2005, thousands of people across the globe will unite in action for trade justice. The Global Week of Action represents a chance to mobilise ahead of the G8 summit. The week's aims are:

- to influence the agendas of the G8, World Bank, World Trade Organisation and governments internationally
- to propose alternatives to current systems
- to show the scale of global movement

Visit the Global Week of Action web site: [www.april2005.org](http://www.april2005.org)  
For more about getting involved with the Make Poverty History campaign visit: [www.makepovertyhistory.org](http://www.makepovertyhistory.org)

# Future Stars

DEED's **Future Stars** project aims to increase the participation of black and minority ethnic children, young people and families in the everyday life of the school they belong to, no matter how few.

More than a celebration of diversity, the **Future Stars** schools aim to embed the skills and knowledge held by local black and minority ethnic families into their school's curriculum raising their self-esteem and attainment.

With the support of DEED facilitating children's consultation sessions, staff meetings, parent meetings, providing appropriate resources and some funding, participating schools have been planning and carrying out a variety of work to reflect their own school community.

Some schools have been planning bi-lingual storytelling of key texts supported by the parents and children able to speak another language in their school; some have consulted black and minority ethnic children to see what improvements can be made to facilities in the school; others have carried out family projects with parents speaking to classes of pupils about what is special to them. Many parents have come into schools to run art, design and technology activities with classes and groups of children sharing skills and knowledge which are highly valued in their family's way of life. The possibilities are endless.



Parent from St Mary's RC Combined School leading a pupil workshop on Christmas in Kerala, India



Whole school display at Stanley Green First School supporting art, design and ICT project on Islamic Patterns

The project is **FREE** for any Poole school to take part. DEED is looking for more school to join us. DEED can offer you ongoing support, advice, resources and some funding to develop your school's activities. The project is supported by Poole METAS and will complement any school's work towards the Inclusion Mark. Please contact Louise Boston-Mammah at DEED to find out more.

# Fairtrade Fortnight

This year's Fairtrade Fortnight takes place from 28 February to 12 March.

During the Autumn 2004 term, DEED worked with twelve schools across Dorset delivering Food and Fairtrade workshops for pupils with accompanying Inset, and these continue to be available.

However, Fairtrade Fortnight is all about organising your own

events, and to support you in this DEED can offer a selection of posters, leaflets and publications full of information about fairly-traded products, how world trade is organised, teaching about Fair Trade and becoming a Fair Trade school. In addition, we offer a range of resources for loan or sale including fairly-traded dolls and toys.

# A small request...

We are currently in need of some new, authentic Kenyan artefacts and resources, as our existing collection is so popular we need to create a new one. If any readers are planning a trip to Kenya in the near future, and would be willing to bring us back some everyday items, please contact us. Thank you.

## Connecting Cultures

Black and minority ethnic groups, childminders, students and Early Years practitioners were invited to DEED's first **Connecting Cultures** event in Weymouth last November. Forty attendees from the Weymouth and Portland area browsed a selection of DEED's resources and artefact collections. After an action game of Fruit Salad, a discussion on the resources available led to interesting points and a good exchange of ideas. Lunch was followed by a demonstration of arts and craft ideas, including how to make Mexican birds. Delegates found the event 'stimulating' and 'very relevant

to my work', and many said they would incorporate new ideas into their settings. The next **Connecting Cultures** events are family days in February. Please contact Lesley at DEED for more information.

The project is funded by the south West Foundation to bring resources to those most in need and to nurture the cultural identity of children.

A global craft demonstration by Multicultural artist Elaine Freedman



## Sowing the Seeds of Good Practice

This exciting project is now well under way. With support from DFID, DEED staff have been running training events on Global Citizenship with Dorset, Poole and Bournemouth Scitt Programmes. Trainee teachers across the county spent half a

day exploring what it is to be a citizen in our global society, and looking at how the world comes to our place every day. A large exhibition of DEED's resources stimulated ideas for classroom work. The next sessions will focus on Race Equality and Multicultural Britain.

In addition to work with the Scitts, teacher training events have been planned with the Gillingham Pyramid in Dorset and St Edward's Pyramid in Poole. These will focus on embedding the global dimension in education. DEED is also working alongside Linwood School in Bournemouth to support their work on Kenya. For more information about training events and resources visit [www.globaldimensionsouthwest.org.uk](http://www.globaldimensionsouthwest.org.uk) or contact Sarah Heyes at DEED.



Student teachers discovering the global dimension

DEED is an educational charity (No 1072827) that supports teachers, Early Years practitioners, students, youth workers and others in the community concerned with personal, social and world development issues. It is funded principally by DFID, Oxfam, Poole Children's Fund and the South West Foundation.

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