



WORLD VALUES DAY 2022

Schools have always had a central role in our bid to recover from the pandemic, it is more important than ever to rebuild our communities. We have a unique position in society, and it is now time to proactively re-establish our links and relationships with our communities.

The theme of World Values Day this year is Community, which is perfect for schools. As part of the planning team for this event, we have worked hard to ensure that World Values Day is accessible to all schools, which should be proud to be one of the world's truly global and impactful communities. So, let's get to work.

Date: Thursday 20th October 2022

Time: All Day

Theme: Community

Ask: Sign up to one or more of the activities using the [Google form](#)

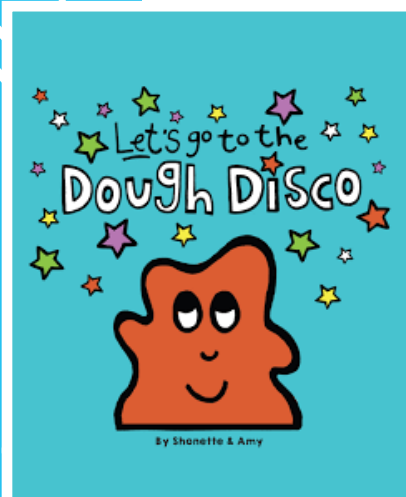
Most schools have already started to focus on community values; we have all seen how our children have been adversely affected over the past two years and what a great way to showcase the energy and enthusiasm of our children than involving the wider community.

After all the tough times, what does the pathway to a new normal look like? One thing true: while the politicians might be responsible for championing the ideas, our future generations should be shaping them. We've had a few ideas of our own, but we know there are more out there. You can take your pick from the ideas below; or tell us about something you are already doing.

Our children deserve to feel safe in a globally conscious world, they deserve to know that their presence is celebrated and that their ideas will help us shape the future. World Values Day is a way of them connecting in a safe environment, while people of all ages are becoming accustomed to the new normal.

Have you heard of Dough Disco? Or the Vintage Playground Olympics? Or the idea of in-playground or community Values Sanctuaries? All of the World Values Day activities and ideas on the following page have been created with busy schools in mind. They are ready to go and have been piloted in schools with feedback given. With each activity there is a suggested age group for whom we deem the activity most suitable. However, you know the young people you work with best and we welcome a dialogue with you on how you plan to adapt these to meet your needs.

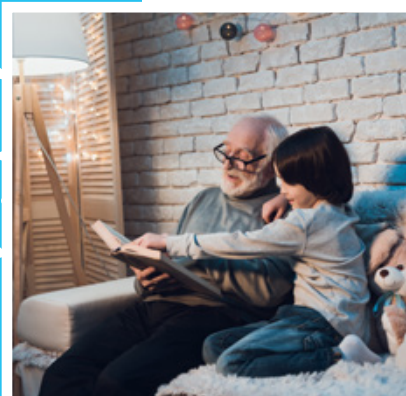
By registering your interest in World Values Day 2022, we can link you up with other schools who share a common interest. We plan to host one meeting for each of the areas prior to World Values Day on October 20th, where planning ideas can be shared and our global community relationships grown. Register your interest here: <https://forms.gle/YqKtU8ESaMkVSxvB9>



DOUGH DISCO

Cost: Nill | **School Age Range:** 2-8

We are lucky enough to have Shonette Bason of Spread the Happiness and Dough Disco on board with us this year. She is designing a special Dough Disco with a community theme for the day - this will be a sign up event with more details to follow. Ideally, participants will join us live with a group in their community - residents from a care home for example or a buddy class - (depending on Covid restrictions in your area) to take part in this fun, muscle strengthening session. If live timings do not work for you, there will be a saved version for you to do at your convenience. If you are not familiar with Dough Disco, please head over to YouTube - Shonette's energy and enthusiasm is contagious!



READING ACROSS THE GENERATIONS

Cost: Nill | **School Age Range:** 2-10

What a great way to bring our community together - sharing a story. We have piloted grandparents, community police officers, school nurses and local shop keepers sharing their favourite story or one from the class library. Children have loved having a new voice read to them.



VINTAGE PLAYGROUND OLYMPICS

Cost: Nill | **School Age Range:** 5-12

Games such as Elastics, skipping rhymes, Bulldog, Hop Scotch and many more can be given new lease of life by inviting parents, grandparents and community members to share their experiences and demonstrate the games they loved as children.



COMMUNITY VALUES SANCTUARIES

Cost: Variable to school | **School Age Range:** 8-18

The creation of a space for calm, contemplation and conversation is a way to bring people together. Involving members of the local community in making a place where nature can thrive. This can be as little as a few plant pots filled with herbs or flowering plants or as much as an entire garden space with pergolas, water features and willow dens. Bringing people together to create a lasting legacy of a tranquil place.



SHOWCASE OF LEARNING

Cost: Nil | **School Age Range:** 8-18

Inviting the community into schools is a fantastic way to increase community engagement, making our schools accessible and open to visitors to re-establish their place as the centre of local communities. Invite guest speakers to share their experiences of school and engage in discussions about how things have changed and what remains constant.



COFFEE AND DISCUSSION

Cost: Nil | **School Age Range:** 14-18

Having open discussions with local community members where they can drop in for a coffee and a chat with senior school pupils can help to build positive relationships - the local shopkeepers, community police officers and members of the public are always keen to see and hear from our young people and are a great source of advice and experience.

Perhaps if none of the activities given above meet your requirements, you might want to explore the amazing ideas some of our global supporting organisations have developed. We are happy to engage in discussions if you have resources which you feel meet the needs of pupils in developing community values.



THE BIG THINK PRIMARY PSHE

Cost: Nill | **School Age Range:** 5-12

Web Link: <https://www.the-big-think.org>

The Big Think PSHE programme explores Big life questions using shared human values and real world stories that build Social and Emotional Learning skills. Sessions can be part of your whole-school PSHE provision, or used to support key events like World Values Day over the year.

These free kits focus on the core value of COMMUNITY and the linked value of Celebrating Difference and explore some of the feelings and experiences we might have when we notice differences between each other and how to reach out and connect with those around us to celebrate diversity in all its glory.

COMMUNITY Celebrating Difference
How do you celebrate Diversity?

Sessions include:

Silent Sitting meditation, Big Story, Values Dialogue, Journal

GLOBAL POETRY SHOWCASE

Cost: Donation | **School Age Range:** 12-18

Web Link: <https://valuesalliance.net/global-poetry-showcase-2022/#contact>

This is an exciting opportunity for poets of all ages and abilities to showcase their poetic skills. This event seeks to bring out the poet in everyone. It is an opportunity for people in communities all over the world to express thoughts, feelings, wishes and dreams about the future.

Join with others in your community (school, family, club, company, street, village, church, group etc) to apply your creative energy into poetic words, in written, performed or digital formats. Poetry is a wonderful way to spark thinking, reflection and conversation. The theme is VALUES for COMMUNITY. Just express yourself in poetry!

Experienced poets and beginners are all welcome as are different styles and formats of poetry. You can enjoy a safe space to inspire poetry-led sharing, thinking, insight, reflection, exploration and conversation.





GOOD VALUES CLUB FOOTBALL GAME

Cost: Nill | **School Age Range:** 8-18

Web Link: <https://goodvaluesclub.wixsite.com/tgvc>

This game is a fun way to engage players in discussion about some of the values which are associated with the beautiful game. It was inspired by the tragic death of Leicester City's Chairman Khun Vichai. The game comes with a full pack of activities and instructions on how to play.



SUPERKIDS

Cost: Nill | **School Age Range:** 6-12

Web Link: <https://www.braintumour.ca/superkids/>

SUPERKIDS is an educational program that seeks to spread education, awareness, empathy, kindness and understanding.

The lesson plans are broken down into age groups which makes it a fantastically easy to access resource.



VALUESJAM

Cost: £29.99 | **School Age Range:** 14-18

Web Link: <https://values-jam.com/>

It is our ambition to create harmony all over the world by inspiring one million values-led conversations. What contribution could your community make to celebrate World Values Day from 1-31 October? This playful card game is quite simple to play. Just pick a values card (by choice or at random), start with the first question on the reverse and see where the conversation takes you. You can use none, some or all of the other questions and before you move on to another card, make sure to ask the final question. Be open, honest, respectful, kind and curious. Above all, listen and feel the vibe - every card is different. There are no right or wrong answers. Just share your stories and go with the flow. It's also OK "not to know" yet. If that's the case, see what ideas are sparked by listening to the other ValuesJammer(s). You can play 1:1 or in small or larger groups. You can also download your FREE Values for Communities guide to help you make best use of your card deck/s.