

Pupils Follow-Up Summary

48 from 60 feedback forms completed.

Afghanistan (A). Austria (AU). Burundi (B). Brazil (BR). Cameroon (C). Eretria (E). Italy (I). Iraq (IR). Nigeria (N). Northern Ireland (NI). Poland (P). Somalia (S). Vietnam (V).

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What was the most important thing that you learnt from taking part in the Global Peace Games?

FRIENDSHIP. TEAMWORK. DIVERSITY. RELATIONSHIPS. EQUALITY. COMMUNICATION. CULTURE. EMPATHY. COMPASSION. UNITY. IDENTITY. HUMANITARIANISM. RECONCILLIATION. ENVIRONMENT.

- I learnt that with peace you can accomplish so much (N)
- The breaking down of barriers was fantastic (NI)
- I think the whole world can learn a lot from the GPGs (E)
- Language is not a barrier (C)
- It was the first time that I have ever been to a cemetery (B)
- To be peaceful in everything that I do (V)
- Every religion must learn to live together (A)
- How to make friends and not war (IR)
- I learnt about how special this environment is for teaching peace (P)
- The First World War and the amazing Christmas Truces (BR)

Have your attitudes and opinions about football and sport changed since taking part in the Global Peace Games, if so how?

SPORTSMANSHIP. FREEDOM. LEVEL PLAYING FIELD. FUN. GATHERING. HARMONY. COMMONALITY. BONDING. SPECIAL FRIENDSHIPS. UNION. TOGETHERNESS. COLABORATION.

- I feel a lot differently about professional football. The GPGs taught me you can play football for free and be happier than someone doing it for two hundred thousand pound a week (**NI**)
- I saw people come together through sport it was not all about winning and losing, it was teamwork (NI).
- The GPGs showed me that it is not all about money and it brings people together, even if you are shy. (NI).
- I don't normally like football but playing on the Peace Pitch at the GPGs was amazing especially because everybody played to play and not to win at all cost. (I)
- Yes, how it changed me was by playing on the field where so many soldiers died and played football for a moment of truce. (C)
- My attitude to football is different after playing football on the Peace Pitch. History records it is a game that brings people together for fun and not for money. (A)
- I believe sport is not for money it is for all people with or without money. (S)
- I didn't know football was fun I only ever watched the boys play it. I now play it too. (B)
- Yes, now different. I see football and sport as a coming together and not an aggressive place to make money (P)
- Playing football on the Peace Pitch is an incredible memory and nothing will change that. (IR)

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Did the Global Peace Games change your attitude towards refugees and migrants? If so, why?

PEACE. HUMAN-BEINGS. FRIENDS. EVERYDAY PEOPLE. LOVE. COMPASSION. WELCOME. HAPPY. CONFIDENT. STORIES. UNDERSTANDING. SHARING.

- I now think that all refugees and migrants must be helped to give them a new life (I)
- The GPGs put me in direct contact with young refugees, in a totally neutral environment, which allowed me to come in touch with quite different life stories than mine but in a frictionless way (I)
- Yes, it completely changed my view because I wouldn't have thought I could ever relate to refugees. It taught me that we are all the same no matter what our background. (**NI**)
- Yes, you always hear awful stories about refugees and migrants but when you get to know them, they are just normal people.
- My attitude has changed. Since meeting refugees I want to listen to their stories and help.(NI)
- Yes, the media wrongly portray migrant and refugees and what they go through. They do not fully understand what they have been through
- Yes. Before I went to the GPGs I thought differently about migrants and refugees. However, now
 that I have heard their stories and what they have been through now I think they should be
 allowed to life in a safety (NI)
- I am a refugee and I think coming to the GPGs helped me talk and make friends with people just like me. (S)
- I am a migrant. The GPGs allowed me to be confident to tell people my story and why I now live in a new country (P)
- People need to know why I want to work and live in a safe happy country. (A)

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Since the Global Peace Games - Do you think you have changed your opinions about your own identity. If so, why?

HUMANITARIANISM. CULTURE. FREEDOM. DEVELOPMENT. OPEN-MINDED. GLOBAL. LANGUAGE. NATIONALITIES. HERITAGE. MINDSET. RESPECT.

- Yes. I am now more open to people from different nationalities and different backgrounds. The GPGs taught me about humanitarianism (NI)
- Yes. I did not realize how privileged me, and my family are. The whole GPGs experience made me look at who I am. (NI)
- I think the older we get we are either "more set in our ways" or the more we want to step out of our comfort zone and understand the other side of their story. (NI)
- I am proud of my heritage and I am proud of my new country (A)
- I though went to the GPGs with an open mind when I left the GPGs my mind was opened for real. (IR)
- Yes, I believe my identity changed a little as before I went to the GPGs my mindset was fixed on certain things but now I think it has grown and developed more. (B)
- Yes, I am now proud of my country because I got to see where all the soldiers died fighting for freedom. (I)
- Mixing with other cultures changed my identity (E)
- I think I am more open-minded now thanks to the GPGs. (IR)
- It surely did shape my opinions about my own identity, challenging me to try my best. The fact that I had to speak a different language and concentrate on helping other people made me change my perspective on the world and situations. (I)



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How will you promote and continue to support peace in your future?

LOVE. RESOLUTIONS. PEACE. ALL TOGETHER. INTERVENTION. FRIENDS. EXPERIENCE. EQUALITY. INVITATION. EVENTS. INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE

- Love everyone (A)
- Together seeking resolutions (A)
- Together promoting peace (V)
- By using all the strategies that I learnt at the GPGs at a very divine and special place. (A)
- I will promote peace to all my friend because on my experience at the GPGs (E)
- By telling the story of the First World War truces to my friends (C)
- If I see someone having conflict with somebody I will intervene and create peace (B)
- By inviting people to learn about what happens at the GPGs and on the International Day of Peace (C)
- I will be promoting peace to my community and organizing events to bring people together (P)
- When I see people discriminate against other people, I will stop the offense and tell them that we are all equal (I)

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Have you used any strategies you learnt at The Global Peace Games to resolve an argument, intervene in a fight or act as a peace maker?

PREVENTION. RESOLUTION. RECONCILLIATION. FRIENDS. CALM. COMMUNICATION. INTERVENTION. SOLUTIONS. PACIFY. SHARE. PEACE

- I did stop an argument in my classroom when two friends were fighting. I intervened and help them become friends again (C)
- I did help some friends to reconcile their differences and prevent conflict (N)
- I use my conflict resolution skills that I learnt at the GPGs to prevent a potential fight amongst friends (IR)
- I learnt how to communicate in a friendly way which helps in times of conflict (A)
- I have learnt that communication is really important and you shouldn't always judge anyone (NI)
- I was a peace maker in a game of cricket when two players wanted to fight. (IR)
- My peacemaking skills are very good between my friends (A)
- I am more confident now when it comes to conflict and intervening (AU)
- We learnt so much at the GPGs. I am more understanding and better at listening before a conflict starts (B)
- We all learn how to intervene and promote peace. I now do this at home (B)