



## Education Matters for HMD

Welcome to our third education bulletin with news of students and teachers and their preparation for Holocaust Memorial Day 2009.

***If you have any colleagues who may be interested in the work of the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust please pass this newsletter on and encourage them to join our mailing list. Please contact us at any time with queries or suggestions. We are always happy to hear from you. Call us on 0845 838 1883 or email [enquiries@hmd.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@hmd.org.uk)***

**Stand up to Hatred.** HMD09 challenges us all to Stand up to Hatred. It urges all of us to look at our behaviour to others; to understand how hate is directed against different minorities in Britain today; to explore how each of us can help make our communities stronger and safer.

HMD09 is an opportunity to forge links across ALL the diverse strands of local community lives, to build understanding and to unite in a common cause.

The theme provides scope to encourage students to work together towards a better future by becoming active citizens in their own community. We hope they will engage with the past and learn the lessons it offers present day society. If you have plans to hold a special educational event, lesson, assembly or activity for HMD09 please let us know.

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The Holocaust Memorial Day Trust education resources for HMD09 are now available for free. These consist of an activity board and linked case studies, which encourage young people to **Stand up to Hatred**, lesson plans based on the activity board, suggestions for collective worship/assemblies and starting points for discussion. There are different activities for primary, secondary and post sixteen students.

HMDT is here to help with any event or lessons you are planning. We have a wide range of resources available free of charge including:

A postcard series looking at people and groups who have made the decision to **Stand up to Hatred**.

Further web exclusive ideas for creative, cross curricular, activities, based on the theme, will be available to download from our website **[www.hmd.org.uk](http://www.hmd.org.uk)**



These packs are free of charge, however we will be limiting the amount of packs sent to each educational establishment to a maximum of 10. In order to help us save postage costs please only order the number of packs you require.

You can download additional copies from our website at [www.hmd.org.uk](http://www.hmd.org.uk)

Additional A5 booklets from the pack can be ordered for you to give away and further materials suitable for display and distribution will be ready later in the year.

Please order your packs by emailing [enquiries@hmd.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@hmd.org.uk) or calling 0845 838 1883. You can also still order copies of the HMD08 Commemorative book which lists almost 500 events which took place earlier this year.

## HMD08 Ceramic

Students from many parts of the UK worked with ceramic artist Phil Hardacre to produce a ceramic mosaic which carries individual student messages about the importance of remembering the Holocaust.

It spent the summer with the education team of Canterbury Cathedral and was admired by many visitors from home and abroad. Last week it arrived in the West Country and will form part of a student art display, standing alongside a tree of promises containing students' statements on how they will make a difference in the future and **Stand up to Hatred**.



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## **Nellie Delaney wins Anne Frank Moral Courage Award**

HMDT and Liverpool Education team nominated Nellie for an *Anne Frank Moral Courage* award in recognition of her courage in speaking out against hatred and prejudice in present day society as part of the HMD08 Education materials.

We were delighted to be reunited with Nellie and her family in the BBC radio theatre in July when she was presented with this award. Many congratulations to Nellie.



Nellie and fellow speakers at HMD Youth Conference 2007 © Andy Billington

## **Student Directors**

Young people from Great Torrington secured lottery funding to introduce teenagers to Holocaust survivors. They filmed survivors' stories and linked them with old film footage and student questions to produce a short film on the importance of remembering the past and learning lessons to take into the future. They worked with a professional film company and gave up part of their summer holiday to complete the project. They aim to share the film with other students in the run up to HMD09.

## **Welsh Event**

HMDT, in partnership with the Welsh Charity Valleyskids, will hold an activity day for secondary students (14-19) in Penygraig, Tonypany, on 18<sup>th</sup> November. There will be music, drama, dance and art workshops on the **Stand up to Hatred** theme. The aim of the day is to encourage students to prepare for their own HMD09 events. Please email [educationhmd@hmd.org.uk](mailto:educationhmd@hmd.org.uk) if you teach in South Wales and would like more details of this free event.

## **Teenagers promise to stand up to hatred**

There was much energetic creative activity at the Plough Arts Centre in North Devon on 22<sup>nd</sup> September. Students of RE, Citizenship, History and Creative arts came together under the leadership of teacher Annie Sparrow, a fellow of the Imperial War Museum, to work on banners, dance, music and drama presentations on Holocaust related stories. They also heard about the importance of standing up to hatred in present day society. Although they were all from different schools and had never worked together before, by the afternoon new friendships were formed and students were confident in performing the pieces they had created to each other and invited guests.

## Book group activities

Book group activities for Primary and Secondary students are added to the HMD website on a regular basis. The newest activity for secondary reading groups is "Malka" by Mirjam Pressler



<http://www.hmd.org.uk/resources/item/239/>

## Launch of The Journey

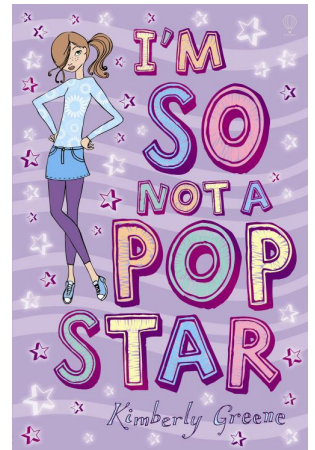
A new resource for primary schools opened in Laxton at the Holocaust Centre (Beth Shalom) earlier this month. The Journey is an interactive exhibition area telling the story of a child's experience when the Nazis controlled Europe. Young visitors will be able to see a replica school classroom, sit inside a 1930s Jewish home and hear personal testimony. We congratulate the education team at the Holocaust Centre and hope that many primary pupils will soon make their own journey of discovery together with their teachers and/or parents.

<http://www.holocaustcentre.net/>

## I'm So Not A Pop Star

Kimberley Greene's new story "I'm So NOT a pop star" is to be published next week. Kimberley, who lives in the USA, worked with the Steven Spielberg Foundation, interviewing Holocaust survivors. She was so moved by what she heard that she wove a new story into her Pop Star series where the main characters discover that their grandfather is a Holocaust survivor.

Kimberley is visiting the UK from 29<sup>th</sup> September to 5<sup>th</sup> October and is prepared to talk to students about this aspect of her work. If you think your students would like to meet Kimberley contact [LizS@usborne.co.uk](mailto:LizS@usborne.co.uk)



### Holocaust Memorial Day Trust - Here to Help

Members of the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust team are happy to help with your event organisation in any way possible from advising on assemblies and lesson plans for schools, to offering suggested reading materials and helping to point you towards other organisations which can help with your planning.

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