Fertile Question: How does world peace begin with me?

Core Content Area 3: Let it begin with me

TOPIC 3.3: Taking Responsibility

**Depthing Understanding: Peace One Day**

In this lesson students will explore the value of “World Days” as a tool for creating global peace.

**Teachers: Before You Start!**

1. Familiarise yourself with the resources mentioned in this lesson.
2. Consider downloading the Peace One Day educational resources.

**For students to explore the value of “World Days” as a tool for creating peace, select from the following activities:**

1. Explore the events of World Days and their impact.
   a. Explore the power of one person’s idea to make a global difference.
      i. Access and explore the PeaceOneDay website.
      ii. View the short film (5min 5secs) from the website that summarises the campaign or view the TedTalk (17min 42secs) by Jeremy Gilley called One Day of Peace. How effective is the video at presenting the benefits of a world day of peace? What is the goal of the One Day of Peace? How inspired do you feel to be a part of the day as a result of viewing this video? Consider promoting the 21st September as a day of peace in your school community.

2. Explore the events of Earth Hour.
   i. Examine class attitudes about the global event called Earth Hour: How many people in the class have participated as an individual or family? How many people believe it is a good idea? How many think it is a good idea but doesn’t make any difference? How many think it is a good idea with the potential to make a difference? How many think it is a bad idea? How many are indifferent?
   ii. Read About Earth Hour to extend your knowledge about this global event.
   iii. Critique the Earth Hour website for its effectiveness as a tool for promoting the event. Report to a partner or the class regarding ease of navigation, visual aesthetics, accessibility of the information, clarity of the message, whether or not your point of view about Earth Hour has changed as a result of exploring the website.
   iv. Conclude this lesson by reflecting on the effectiveness of the world wide web as a tool for global peace.