

Dear Colleagues

Anne Frank's Thirteen in 13 Campaign

The Anne Frank Trust UK are inviting all Britain's thirteen year olds (they can be 13 at any time throughout this year) to write a short letter to the Prime Minister outlining the Britain they would like to grow up into. The campaign is giving Britain's newest teenagers a voice at the very highest levels of power and influence. It is inspired by what Anne Frank's diary, started at age 13, has meant for the world and the fact that the 21st century has also "turned teenager" this year.

Topics can be very varied and the letters are uploaded onto our dedicated website from now until 14th June. The Prime Minister has agreed to read and respond to the winning letters, which will also be published in The Times in July. The judges include some of this age group's most popular authors, including Cathy Cassidy and Chris Bradford, as well as Anne Frank's posthumous stepsister Dr Eva Schloss MBE.

See www.13in13.org.uk for what to do and also take a look at <http://www.youtube.com/user/13in13Campaign> (it's less than one minute, turn the volume up - it will make you smile!). We are delighted that educational bodies such as the NUT, NASUWT, ASCL, SecEd and NATE have been promoting the campaign and the Prime Minister has even been tweeting about it!

For Year 8 and 9 English and Citizenship teachers there is a special free downloadable lesson plan from <http://www.annefrank.org.uk/learn-zone/anne-frank-resources> We hope that teachers and youth teams will also suggest the competition to young people as a half term activity.

It would be wonderful if a winning letter, read and responded to by the Prime Minister and published in The Times, came from a child from Norfolk.

Warmest regards and with many thanks for your support.

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