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Purpose

A calendar marking awareness dates in the year and providing you with practical advice, guidance and resources to discuss them with your students.

Designed for

Teachers and safeguarding leads in schools and colleges responsible for protecting their students from radicalisation*

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**When using the resources in this calendar you should ensure that the content is suitable for the age of your students, that you're confident in engaging in difficult classroom discussions, and that it is appropriate to your learners. An accessible version of this calendar is available as a PDF.*

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11TH SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARY OF 9/11

Teaching about the events and aftermath of 9/11 can be challenging for a number of reasons. Research by Since 9/11 has shown that both teachers and students have varying degrees of knowledge about 9/11. Many of the issues are complex and some are controversial, all of which adds to the potential demands made on teachers.

Take a look at the hub below for some resources suggestions that can help you to start conversations with and teach your learners about the events of 9/11.

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[Since 9/11 KS2 & KS3 resources](#) →

[20 Years Since 9/11 blog](#) →

[Let's Discuss: FBVs](#) →

[Let's Discuss: Islamist Extremism](#) →

15TH SEPTEMBER INTERNATIONAL DAY OF DEMOCRACY

The International Day of Democracy is celebrated around the world on 15 September each year. It was established through a resolution passed by the UN General Assembly in 2007, encouraging governments to strengthen and consolidate democracy.

This year's theme for the International Day of Democracy, "Empowering the next generation," focuses on young people's essential role in advancing democracy and ensuring that their voices are included in the decisions that have a profound impact on their world.

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[Take the democracy challenge](#) →



Let's Discuss: FBVs

WHOLE MONTH BLACK HISTORY MONTH

October is Black History Month - a time dedicated to celebrating and recognising the contributions of Black people to British society, as well as an opportunity to learn and broaden understanding of Black culture. It's a great opportunity to teach young people about the efforts of Black people and communities, civil rights movements and equality as well as a chance to further their understanding of our fundamental British values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, and mutual respect and tolerance of different faiths and beliefs.

The theme of Black History Month 2024 is 'Reclaiming Narratives' to recognise and focus on correcting narratives of Black history and culture.

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[Our Migration Story](#)



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7TH OCTOBER ONE YEAR SINCE THE 7TH OCTOBER ATTACK IN ISRAEL

October 7th marks one year since the terrorist attack by Hamas in Israel and the subsequent escalation in conflict between Israel and Hamas. The attack caused grave concern around the world, particularly in education settings and amongst young people.

Following the events of 7th October 2023, Educate Against Hate published a [blog post](#) to help education settings with holding sensitive classroom discussions, the post includes signposting to reputable organisations that can support schools to teach about this sensitive topic in a balanced way, avoiding antisemitic, anti-Muslim and/or other discriminatory narratives.

Talking about ongoing conflicts blog

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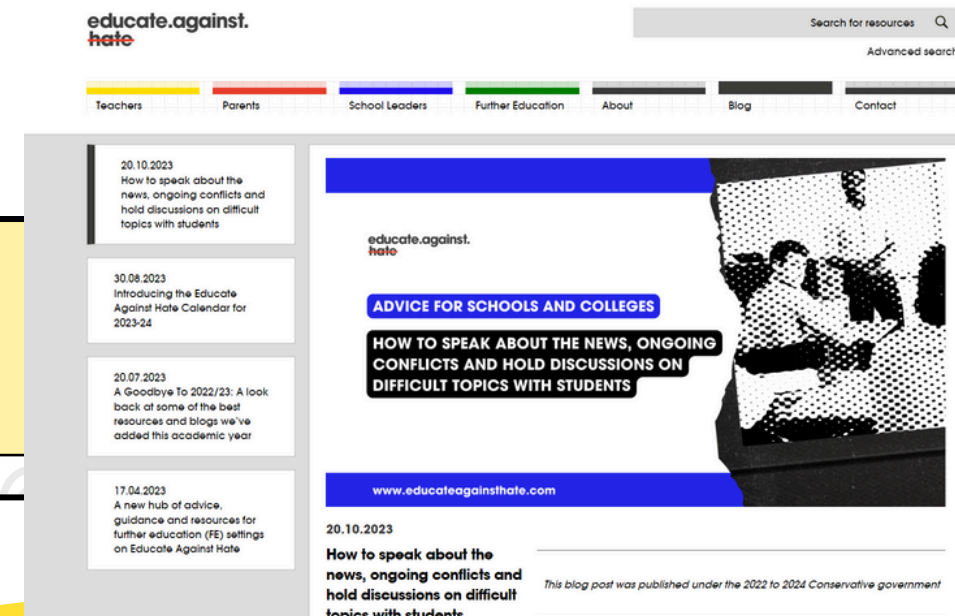
[Solutions not Sides](#)



[Parallel Histories](#)



[EAH FAQs](#)



12TH-19TH OCTOBER NATIONAL HATE CRIME AWARENESS WEEK

National Hate Crime Awareness Week aims to promote action against hate crime and encourages the likes of Government, Police, Councils, voluntary sectors, businesses, and communities to work together to tackle hate crime in the UK.

Hate crime refers to incidents or criminal offences whereby the victim believes it to be motivated by prejudice against their race, religion, sexual orientation, disability, or an incident or criminal offence motivated by prejudice against a person who is transgender. Hate crimes can be in the form of physical or verbal abuse, or in the form of the incitement of hatred whereby someone has the intent of encouraging hate.

Throughout the week, you may want to use the opportunity to teach your pupils about our fundamental British values, in particular, mutual respect and tolerance of different faiths and beliefs.

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[Going Too Far: What Would You Do If...?](#)



[Stand Up!](#)



[No Love for Hate](#)



11TH NOV REMEMBRANCE DAY

Remembrance Day is a national opportunity to remember the service and sacrifice of all those that have defended our freedoms in the face of division and conflict. We remember the Armed Forces, and their families, from Britain and the Commonwealth, the vital role played by the emergency services and those who have lost their lives as a result of conflict or terrorism.

[No Love for Hate poster](#)

10TH-17TH NOV INTER FAITH WEEK

Building good relationships and working partnerships between people of different faiths and beliefs is part of the year-round work of many people and organisations across the UK.

Having a special week provides a focal point, helping to open inter faith activity up to a wider audience so that more and more people are made aware of the importance of this vital work and are able to participate in it.

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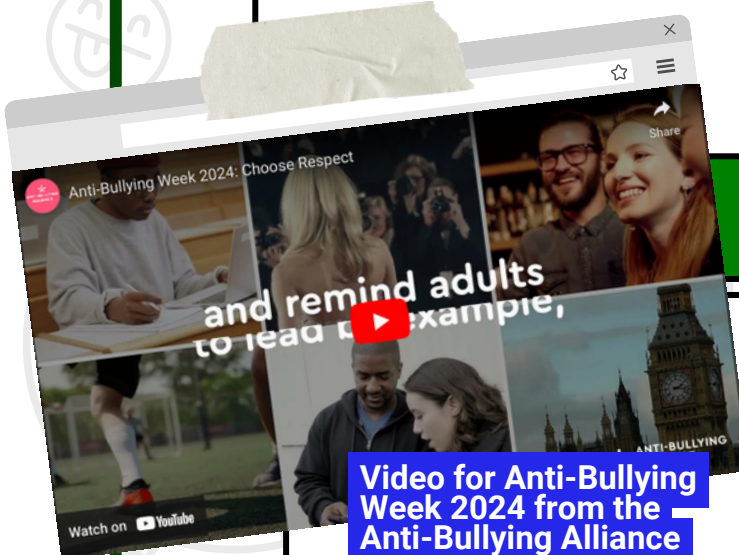
[Learning About Inter Faith resources for KS2 & KS3](#)



11TH-15TH NOV ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

Anti-Bullying Week 2024 is coordinated in England, Wales and Northern Ireland by the Anti-Bullying Alliance. This year it has the theme 'Choose Respect' and will take place from Monday 11th to Friday 15th November.

The week will be kicked off with Odd Socks Day on the 11th, where adults and children wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us unique.



[Video for Anti-Bullying Week 2024 from the Anti-Bullying Alliance](#)

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[Mulberry Academy PSHE Lessons](#)



[Preventing Bullying](#)



20TH NOV INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S DAY

World Childrens Day is celebrated on November 20th every year to promote international togetherness, awareness among children worldwide, and improving children's welfare. It offers everyone the opportunity to advocate, promote and celebrate children's rights and help to shape a brighter future for young people.

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[Rights Respecting School](#)



[Respectful School Communities](#)



[Mulberry Academy PSHE Lessons](#)



Throughout December and in the run up to the end of term, you might want to take some time to look at some of the below resources that we have on Educate Against Hate that can help you to teach your learners about a range of skills and topics.

CRITICAL THINKING SKILLS

In the resource hub on the right, you'll find content from Educate Against Hate that encourages your learners to develop their critical thinking skills when engaging with online content and the news. The first aims to help young people evaluate the validity of information online and the second help pupils understand why it is important to have reliable information about the news from a variety of sources.

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[Identifying the Difference Between Fact and Opinion](#) →

[Reliable News](#) →



It's important that learners are able to spot the difference between fact and opinion and understand where to go to find reliable information in the news.

CONSPIRACY THEORIES

For learning about conspiracy theories, the resources on the right focus on teaching learners about what they are, their influence, and the concerns that may be surrounding conspiracy theories. The first resource is aimed for teachers of KS2 learners and the second is aimed at teachers of KS3 and KS4 learners.

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[Do We Underestimate the Power of Conspiracy Theories?](#) →

[Are Conspiracy Theories More Dangerous Than We Realise?](#) →

[Conspiracy Theories in the News](#) →

DEBATE AND DISCUSSION

The Tough Options Programme includes three classroom lessons on identity, violent extremism and digital resilience intended for use within upper KS2 classrooms, while Can Sharing Stories Tackle Extremism? includes a range of activities and media to develop student's understanding of extremism, how it develops and how it might be tackled.

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[Tough Options Programme](#) →

[Can Sharing Stories Tackle Extremism?](#) →

[Essentials of Dialogue](#) →

25TH-26TH DEC UK BANK HOLIDAYS

CHRISTMAS DAY (25TH) & BOXING DAY (26TH)



Encouraging healthy debates and discussions can help young people in understanding our fundamental British values of mutual respect and tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs.

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1ST JAN **UK BANK HOLIDAY**

NEW YEAR'S DAY

19TH JAN **WORLD RELIGION DAY**

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[Interfaith Explorers](#) →

[Let's Discuss: FBVs](#) →

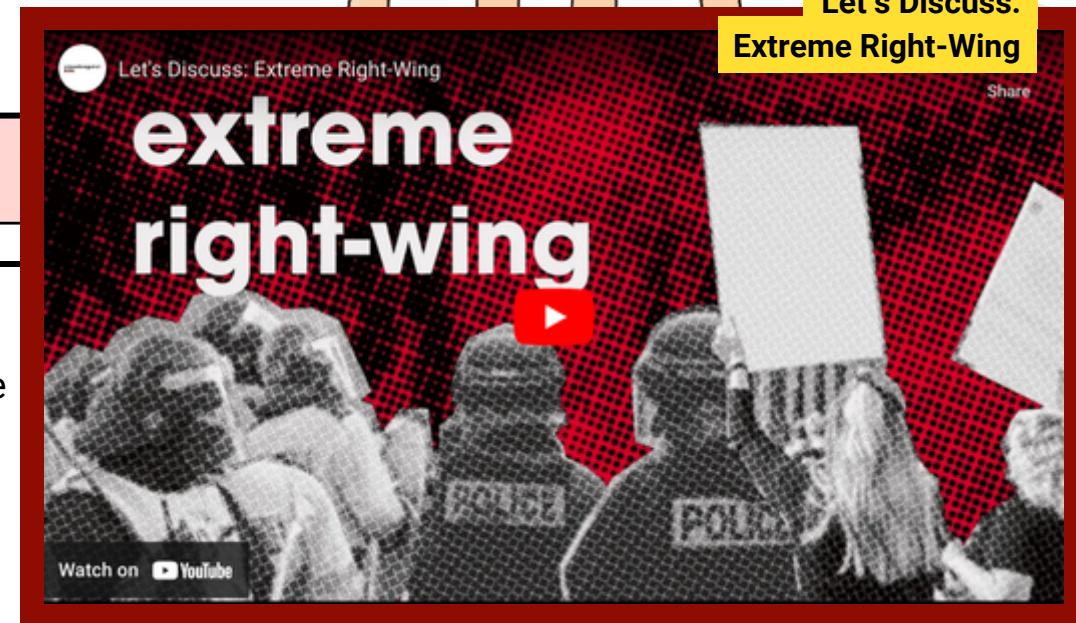
27TH JAN **HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY**

27th January marks the anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau, the largest Nazi death camp. The Holocaust threatened the fabric of civilisation, and genocide must still be resisted every day. Our world often feels fragile and vulnerable and we cannot be complacent. Even in the UK, prejudice and the language of hatred must be challenged by us all.

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[Holocaust Memorial Day Trust](#) →

[Let's Discuss: Extreme Right-Wing](#) →



**Let's Discuss:
Extreme Right-Wing**

11TH FEB SAFER INTERNET DAY

Safer Internet Day aims to encourage young people to act safely, responsibly, and positively in the online space and when using technology. Safer Internet Day is an opportunity to teach young people about ways in which they can stay safe online and provide them with the chance to have conversations about their online activity and any concerns they might have about the online world.

Learners are at risk of accessing inappropriate and harmful extremist content online, and the internet and social media have made spreading divisive and hateful narratives easier.

The development of strong media literacy skills helps learners to become critical users of the online space, through recognising extremist behaviour; understanding the persuasive techniques used by extremist groups and individuals online; acknowledging where online activity is criminal, and knowing where to go to access trusted support.

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[Teaching Online Safety in Schools](#) →

[Going Too Far?](#) →

[Online Media Literacy Resources](#) →

[Managing Online Information](#) →

Going Too Far?



6TH MAR WORLD BOOK DAY

The aim of World Book Day is to promote and encourage reading for pleasure, however it's also a good opportunity for you to read a book with your class that celebrates tolerance and diversity. Well-known examples include: **The Boy at the Back of the Class** by Onali Rauf and **Noughts and Crosses** by Malorie Blackman. Click on the covers to the right to explore more about some of our book suggestions for World Book Day 2025.

Noughts & Crosses by Malorie Blackman

The Love & Lies of Rukhsana Ali by Sabina Khan



8TH MAR INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

International Women's Day is celebrated globally on March 8th every year and is a day dedicated to celebrating women and their contributions to all aspects of life, while also an opportunity to bring attention to and advocate for issues and rights such as gender equality, reproductive rights, and violence and abuse against women.

The theme of IWD 2025 is yet to be announced but you can find out more information as and when it becomes available [here](#).

21ST MAR INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR THE ELIMINATION OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION

The International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination is observed annually on the day the police in Sharpeville, South Africa, opened fire and killed 69 people at a peaceful demonstration against apartheid "pass laws" in 1960.

In 1979, the United Nations adopted a programme of activities to be undertaken during the second half of the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination. On that occasion, the General Assembly decided that a week of solidarity with the peoples struggling against racism and racial discrimination, beginning on 21 March, would be organised annually in all States.

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18TH APR UK BANK HOLIDAY

GOOD FRIDAY

21ST APR UK BANK HOLIDAY

EASTER MONDAY

Global Acts of Unity
interactive presentation
full of resources

22ND APR STEPHEN LAWRENCE DAY

The Stephen Lawrence Day Foundation was founded after Stephen Lawrence, an 18-year-old boy from London was murdered in an unprovoked racist attack on 22nd April 1993.

Stephen Lawrence Day aims to bring people, communities and organisations together to not only honour Stephen, but also to stand up to the discrimination that occurs in daily life.

The Stephen Lawrence Day Foundation work in classrooms, encouraging young people to strive for greatness despite barriers they may face; support and create new connections within communities; and help to provide marginalised young people with access to career opportunities across a range of sectors and industries. You may want to make use of Stephen Lawrence Day as an opportunity to discuss hate crime and discrimination with your learners, and teach them about our fundamental British values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, and mutual respect and tolerance of other faiths and beliefs.



The Stephen Lawrence Day website

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[Global Acts of Unity](#)

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5TH MAY UK BANK HOLIDAY

EARLY MAY BANK HOLIDAY

22ND MAY MANCHESTER ARENA ATTACK ANNIVERSARY

On 22nd May 2017, Islamist extremist Salman Abedi carried out an attack at the Manchester Arena, following an Ariana Grande concert. As a result of the bombing, 22 people lost their lives, over 100 were injured, and there was extensive damage to the building itself.

Starting conversations with your learners about Islamist extremism and incidents like the Manchester Arena Attack can be difficult and require a sensitive approach. To assist with this, we've created our Let's Discuss: Islamist Extremism resource which aims to provide support to teachers in starting dialogue in the classroom around Islamist extremism and the process of radicalisation.

Additionally, Chris Upton, the headteacher of the youngest victim of the Manchester Arena Attack, kindly wrote a blog for the Educate Against Hate website about the impact of the attack on his school and the journey they went on following the incident and the loss of a pupil.

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[Let's Discuss: Islamist Extremism](#) →

[A School's Journey to Recovery](#) →



Let's Discuss:
Islamist Extremism

26TH MAY UK BANK HOLIDAY

SPRING BANK HOLIDAY

WHOLE MONTH PRIDE MONTH

LGBTQ+ Pride Month is a dedicated time to celebrate lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ) pride, as well as everyone within this community who isn't represented by the acronym. Pride Month began after the **Stonewall riots**, a series of **gay liberation** protests in 1969. At the point at which schools consider it appropriate to teach their pupils about LGBTQ+, they should ensure that this content is fully integrated into their programmes of study for this area of the curriculum rather than delivered as a standalone unit or lesson. Schools are free to determine how they do this, and the Department for Education expect all pupils to have been taught LGBTQ+ content at a timely point as part of their RHSE of the curriculum.

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[Stonewall: Different Families, Same Love](#) →

[Let's Discuss: FBVs](#) →

3RD JUNE ANNIVERSARY OF THE LONDON BRIDGE ATTACK

In 2017, three Islamic terrorists drove a van into pedestrians on London Bridge and then went on to the Borough Market area where they stabbed a number of people outside of pubs and restaurants. The attack resulted in eight deaths and forty-eight injured.

16TH-22ND JUN WORLD REFUGEE DAY (20TH) AND REFUGEE WEEK

World Refugee Day occurs on June 20th every year and is an opportunity to honour those who have been forced to flee their homes in seek of safety and support. World Refugee Day takes place within Refugee Week and is a celebrative festival that focuses on the contributions of refugees to arts and culture. The event allows individuals from varying backgrounds to come together in the name of arts, culture, sport and education to build connections and learn more about the challenges that refugees face and their reasons for needing to leave their homes.

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[Rights Respecting School](#) →

[No Love for Hate](#) →

19TH JUN ANNIVERSARY OF THE FINSBURY PARK ATTACK

The Finsbury Park attack in 2017 resulted in the death of one man and injuries to eleven other people. Darren Osborne was a right-wing extremist who intentionally drove a van into a crowd of worshippers outside the Muslim Welfare House. Osborne was arrested days later and currently serves a lifetime sentence in prison.

This was an Islamophobic attack and you might want to use the anniversary as an opportunity to talk to your learners about our fundamental British values (FBVs), particularly mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs, as well as holding conversations and teaching them around extreme right-wing terrorism.

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[Let's Discuss: Extreme Right Wing](#) →

[Let's Discuss: FBVs](#) →

[Promoting FBVs](#) →

20TH JUN ANNIVERSARY OF THE READING ATTACK

On 20th June 2020, 3 men died and a further 3 people were injured after Khairi Saadallah attacked them with a knife in Forbury Park in Reading. Saadallah was an Islamist extremist and was arrested shortly after the attack.

This year marks 5 years since the attack and you may want to use this opportunity to not only remember the victims of the attack but also to talk to your learners about Islamist extremism and supporting them in building up their resilience to extremism and radicalisation. This can be a difficult and daunting task but our Let's Discuss pack has been designed to support you in having conversations with young people on challenging topics such as extremism with videos, classroom activities and lesson plans.

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[Let's Discuss: Islamist Extremism](#) →

20TH-22ND JUN THE GREAT GET TOGETHER

Jo Cox MP was murdered on 16th June 2016 by a right-wing extremist. In honour of Jo, The Great Get Together takes place every year on the weekend closest to her birthday, encouraging communities to come together to bring to life Jo's message that "We have far more in common than that which divides us". The weekend-long honour encourages messages of unity, cohesion, and community, emphasising the need and desire for a fair and inclusive world.

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[The Great Get Together - School Resources](#) →

[John's Story: ACT Early Stories](#) →

22ND JUN WINDRUSH DAY

Windrush Day is a chance to remember and celebrate the arrival of Afro-Caribbean immigrants into Britain after the Second World War. Windrush Day aims to encourage understanding and empathy with the challenges and discrimination that Black communities faced upon their arrival into Britain.

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[Creative Curriculum FBVs Lesson Plan](#) →

[Our Migration Story](#) →

7TH JUL 7/7 LONDON ATTACKS ANNIVERSARY

2025 marks 20 years since July 7th attack on London's transport network where four Islamist extremist suicide bombers targeted three underground stations and one bus. As a result, over 50 people lost their lives and over 700 were injured.

Discussing incidents like the 7/7 attacks with young people can be challenging. To support teachers in opening up this kind of dialogue in the classroom, we've created our Let's Discuss: Islamist Extremism resource which aims to provide support to teachers in starting conversations in the classroom around Islamist extremism and the process of radicalisation.

On Educate Against Hate, you'll also find the Miriam's Vision resource which is a collection of lesson plans based on Miriam Hyman's story, a victim of the 7/7 attacks, for teachers of 11-14 year olds.

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[Miriam's Vision Lesson Plans](#)



[Let's Discuss: Islamist Extremism](#)



11TH JUL SREBRENICA MEMORIAL DAY

The Srebrenica Massacre took place during the Bosnian War in July 1995 whereby 8,000 Bosnian Muslims were murdered by the Army of Republika Srpska in the Bosnian town of Srebrenica. It was the first attack of this scale on European land since the end of the Second World War.

Remembering Srebrenica is a charity that not only encourages us to remember the victims of the Srebrenica Massacre, but also pushes towards the development of a cohesive society free from hatred and discrimination. In line with this, Remembering Srebrenica have produced educational resources for both primary and secondary schools that aim to teach learners about the events of the Bosnian War and Srebrenica, while also highlighting our differences and the importance of acceptance to work towards cohesion.

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[Remembering Srebrenica](#)



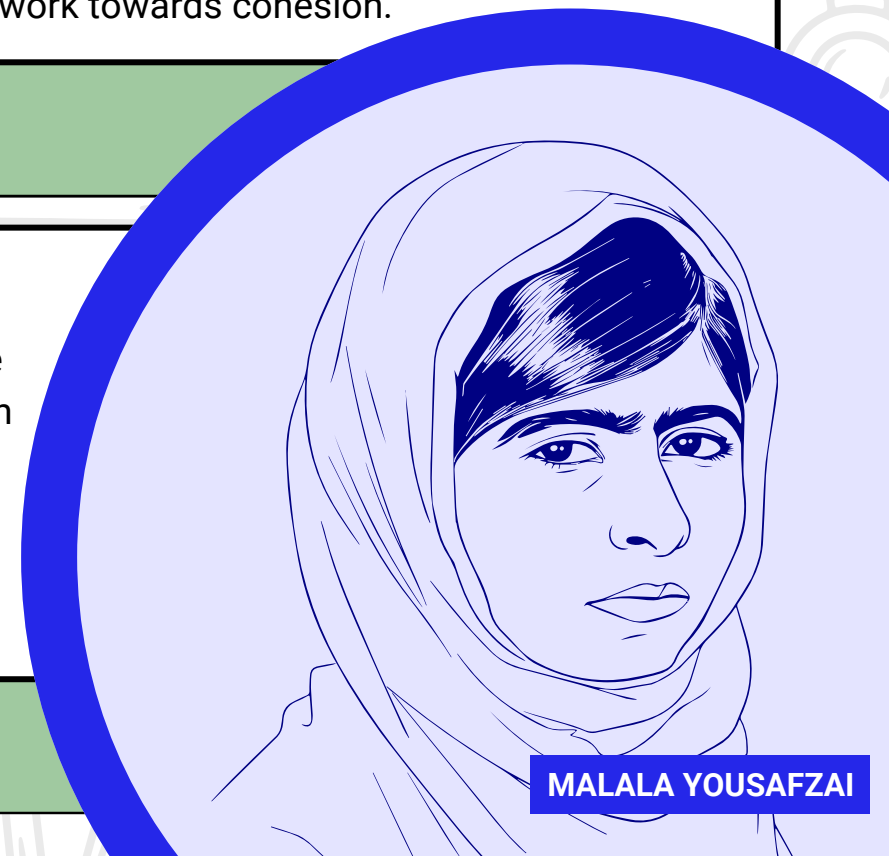
12TH JULY MALALA DAY

Malala Yousafzai advocates for the education of women and received the Nobel Peace Prize for her efforts. At the age of 17, Yousafzai and two other girls were shot by a Taliban gunman in an assassination attempt where she was targeted for her activism.

Malala Day is celebrated to bring focus to all of Yousafzai's efforts and legacy in advocating for the rights and education of girls and women.

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[He Named Me Malala](#)



MALALA YOUSAFZAI