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## Introducing Face to Faith

The Tony Blair Faith Foundation would like to introduce its new education programme: Face to Faith.



Youth group image

Imagine bringing together young people of different faiths across the world to learn directly with, from and about each other. Imagine equipping a new generation with the skills to recognise the similarities and to respect the differences between diverse and often conflicting worldviews. Imagine creating a safe space for meaningful conversation about and between different faiths. Face to Faith, a new global education programme designed to improve young people's religious literacy, aims to turn these aspirations into reality. Face to Faith supports encounter, exploration and exchange between young people of different faiths. Through structured video-conferencing, an online community and a course syllabus, Face to Faith encourages secondary school students from across the world to work together in investigating big global issues; sharing their opinions, values and beliefs; and exploring the reasons for similar and different views.

Developed by an international group of educational experts, underpinned by the Toledo Guiding Principles and piloted with more than 1000 students on three continents, Face to Faith addresses a range of different curricula subjects including humanities, religious and cultural studies and social sciences.

Students involved in the pilot are already reporting how their understanding of the role of faith in today's world has increased significantly by learning directly from those of differing social, cultural and religious perspectives.

"It's so much more interesting to hear directly from those of a different religion than simply to read about them in a book."

-Indian student in Face to Faith pilot

Face to Faith will officially launch in early June. If you would like advance information, please [click here](#) or contact Leila Walker, Face to Faith Programme

Manager, at [leila.walker@tonyblairfaithfoundation.org](mailto:leila.walker@tonyblairfaithfoundation.org). We hope that your school will sign up on Face to Faith and join the lead schools already part of the programme from Palestine, Pakistan, India, Lebanon, Singapore, UK, US and Canada in global conversation about and between different religions.

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