



Pupils from St James' Catholic High School, London outside Houses of Parliament.
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A whole school approach to global citizenship –
your journey starts here.

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“When we started work with Oxfam it was about bringing the global curriculum to life and placing that at the heart of the school as part of our vision and our values”.



Richard Smith, Senior Leadership Curriculum and Innovation Director, St John's Marlborough.

A school full of World Shapers

Introducing World Shapers, Oxfam's unique approach to global citizenship and a chance to empower your pupils to create real and positive change.

Global citizenship – to Oxfam, it's all about learning with empowerment, enabling people to develop the understanding and skills they need to engage with the world. It's about thinking *and* doing, and a belief that we can all make a difference.

World Shapers is a whole school approach to global citizenship with a strong focus on pupil participation and empowerment. You define your vision. You set your goals. And we help you reach them, providing a bespoke programme and ongoing support.

If you value working together, fairness and empowerment, World Shapers is for you. As a World Shapers school, you can enable your pupils to live these values, become world-aware and understand the role of their voice and actions in a global society.

Every pupil can be a World Shaper

It's the pupils who make a school and every one of them can be a World Shaper. That's why we help you embed global citizenship throughout all aspects of school life. World Shapers can help cultivate and promote your school's ethos by supporting staff development, community engagement and pupil participation. It takes planning and time, but the rewards in terms of pupils' spiritual, moral, social and cultural development are invaluable.

Why Oxfam?

With more than 50 years of education experience, Oxfam has the knowledge to deliver the tools, resources and guidance you need. We're also working on real world issues, with communities all over the globe.

Working together is key – as well as great resources, we offer face-to-face support, training and advice. You'll also link with other World Shapers schools to share learning and celebrate all that you've achieved.

Together, we can empower students to shape a more just and sustainable world. We hope you'll join us.

Thank you.



Richard Baker,
Head of Education and Youth, Oxfam GB

On the impact on students

"It's had a massive impact on the students because it's given them an opportunity to engage with what's happening outside the classroom and think differently about the way they're learning. And having the backing of Oxfam gives them real confidence in what they're saying. Oxfam has a reputation, they're established – so you know they have the credibility to really support the school."



Claire Robins, Head Teacher, Sir John Lawes School.

Your World Shapers journey

Make your vision for global citizenship a reality – in seven simple steps.

STEP 1: SIGN UP

You can join World Shapers at any time. Register and you'll receive a membership pack with everything you need (see page 10). Simply complete the registration form, available to download at www.oxfam.org.uk/worldshapers and post or email it back to us.

STEP 2: WORLD SHAPERS COMMITTEE

Next, it's time to form your World Shapers Committee. Responsible for driving the process, this committee should include pupils, your head teacher or senior leaders, and other teachers, and may include non-teaching staff and governors or members of the local community.

STEP 3: REVIEW AND REFLECT

Before you plan activities, your World Shapers Committee will need to identify any global citizenship work you're already doing and consider what you want to do more of. You can use ideas from the World Shapers Framework (see page 6) to kickstart your thinking and the World Shapers Review Tool in your membership pack to outline your ideas.

STEP 4: THE BIG VISION

Now it's time to map out your school's long-term vision for global citizenship and decide what to focus on in year one. There will be a World Shapers Vision Tool in your Membership Pack to help you craft a vision statement for your school too.

STEP 5 DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Vision defined, you'll then have a half-day, one-to-one session with a member of the Oxfam Education Advisory Team who'll help you create your World Shapers Development Plan. You can also sign up for additional CPD and in-school support options (see page 11).

STEP 6 IMPLEMENTATION

Then it's time to start making your World Shapers vision a reality. Your committee will head up the implementation process, with Oxfam providing support when you need it.

STEP 7 LEARNING

Wherever you are in the process, you can come along to our Annual Review Meeting, joining other World Shapers schools to share learning, celebrate your achievements and make plans for the year ahead.



La Swap Youth Ambassador Group, Camden.
Photo: Emma Cooney



On why global citizenship matters

“The most important thing we can ever do is to support young people’s development as global citizens. Every day we hear new evidence about the state of our environment or poor treatment of people. We’ve just got to make changes. So get your young people involved – it’s fantastically empowering.”

Liz Brown, Head of Geography, Bootham School, York.



Global citizenship: The World Shapers Framework

Just some of the ways you can embed global citizenship across your school – and reap the benefits.

SCHOOL ETHOS

What you do

Ensure that global citizenship is reflected in your school vision, ethos and development plan, with pupils playing a key role in decision-making.

What this achieves

Co-ordinated activities that ensure pupils, staff, governors and the local community are committed to your school's vision for global citizenship, and a plan to embed this vision across the school.

In action

Rhodes Avenue Primary School in London is working with Oxfam to develop their own global citizenship ethos. Pupils consulted with peers and the school spoke with parents and teachers to find out what global citizenship means to them. The results are being used to shape their school ethos. This will be promoted across all areas of school life.

THE CURRICULUM

What you do

Promote global citizenship across the curriculum, with activities delivered across a range of subjects and key stages.

What this achieves

Pupils develop a critical understanding of a range of global issues and develop the skills and values needed for active global citizenship.

In action

Woodlands Primary School in Birkenhead took the geography topic of rivers, to look more specifically at Bangladesh. This generated cross-curricular links with literacy and current affairs (specifically in relation to climate change), science (looking at the water cycle) and in looking at and reproducing their own Bangladeshi art.

PUPIL PARTICIPATION

What you do

Enable pupils to participate in or lead on global citizenship projects through curricular or extra-curricular activities – e.g. peer or cross-phase learning.

What this achieves

Pupils deepen their involvement with global citizenship in school and within their community.

In action

Sir John Lawes School in Harpenden organised an off-timetable week for Year 8 pupils inspired by Oxfam's Message in a Book project (www.oxfam.org.uk/messageinabook). Pupils organised and led activities including an assembly, a poster campaign, letter writing and a pop-up bookshop. The project helped develop skills, including letter-writing, peer education and time management, and improved pupils' understanding of global development issues.

THE GLOBAL LEARNING PROGRAMME (GLP)

How World Shapers can complement your work with the GLP.

The Global Learning Programme (GLP) is a government-funded programme

for schools in England, designed to help them deliver effective teaching about global development issues at Key Stages 2 and 3.

The GLP helps teachers assess how embedded global learning is in their school and identify ways to embed it even further. It also suggests schools work with providers that can help them achieve this. Oxfam is one such provider – our World Shapers programme supports schools and complements the GLP process.

The GLP also provides registered schools with credits to pay for training to aid their global learning. These credits can be used to pay for certain World Shapers training options.

For more information on how World Shapers complements the GLP, visit www.oxfam.org.uk/worldshapers



STAFF DEVELOPMENT

What you do

Use inset/CPD time to develop staff understanding of global citizenship and participatory and critical approaches, and planning time to co-ordinate projects.

What this achieves

Staff are able to apply principles of global citizenship, creating opportunities for pupils to engage with related activities within and beyond the curriculum.

In action

Oxfam ran a CPD session at Bootham School in York, exploring ways to engage pupils in world issues and opportunities for cross-curricular learning. The art and drama departments then collaborated on a project linked to Oxfam's Behind The Brands campaign (www.behindthebrands.org). Pupils researched food and drink company policies, rating them on their environmental impact and employment rights, then organised a street theatre piece and handed out their artwork to raise awareness of the issues.



On the World Shapers approach

"One thing I found useful was the way it broke down a whole school approach into different areas, be it the curriculum, extra-curricular activities or leadership. It was a really sensible way of breaking down what we were doing as a school and enabling us to see strengths and weaknesses."

Helen Cox, Geography Teacher, Sir John Lawes School.

TRANSITION

What you do

Use global citizenship to support primary to secondary transition. Use activities such as careers time and assemblies to highlight transferable skills, and career paths relating to global citizenship.

What this achieves

Active global citizenship helps prepare pupils for the next stage of school, and for work, and pupils know how global citizenship relates to careers in different sectors.

In action

Having worked with local organisation GLADE, to explore how global citizenship can be used to support transition, Crispin School in Somerset organised a conference with Oxfam to build on their learning. The conference focused on 'having a positive voice for change' – secondary school students acted as peer leaders for primary school students, developing valuable communication and co-operation skills.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

What you do

Develop ways to engage your local community using global citizenship and invite community members to related events.

What this achieves

A rise in awareness regarding global issues, facilitated by the school, and the chance to draw on the local community to enrich global citizenship activities.

In action

St John's Marlborough worked with Oxfam to organise a conference exploring how global citizenship values and skills – such as sustainability and critical thinking – support business. The conference helped engage businesses, pupils and community members. It also enabled pupils to feel more confident about public speaking and recognise the transferability of global citizenship skills.



What students say

"I've learned that you can make a difference no matter how small you think you are. Everything you do has an impact, and you've got to learn what you can do to save the future."

Oliver, Year 9, Bootham School, York

"I think it's really important for young people to take action because it's our world that we're meant to be looking after. We should be the ones that are involved in decision making."

Nellie, Year 11, Sir John Lawes School

"I think a global citizen is someone who understands the world and wants to make a difference – someone who wants to make the world equal."

Annabelle, Year 9, Bootham School, York

"I enjoyed learning about how people are so brave and courageous to stand up for their own rights when everyone else denied them. I found that brave and quite cool actually."

Amelia, Year 6, Rhodes Avenue Primary School

"The process of being a World Shapers School has helped enormously in terms of us developing our global citizenship ethos in school."

Christine Witham, Headteacher,
Rhodes Avenue Primary School







On the bespoke approach

“I’ve been delighted to say how flexible the approach has been. And it’s been really valuable to have Oxfam there taking us through the World Shapers development plan process. They provided a dispassionate voice, able to look objectively at what we’ve already achieved, but identify areas we could develop much further.”

Richard Smith, Senior Leadership Curriculum and Innovation Director, St John’s Marlborough.



On why you should join

“World Shapers is a great opportunity for schools interested in expanding their global work. You can expect expertise in terms of bringing global learning into the curriculum and new ideas for taking it beyond classroom teaching. Our experience of working with Oxfam has been very positive.”

Helen Cox, Geography Teacher, Sir John Lawes School.

What you get

Sign up and your school can benefit from a huge range of resources and opportunities.

Basic Year 1 membership includes:

- Up to four half-days (or two whole days) in-school support from Oxfam, including:
 - A meeting to refine your World Shapers Development Plan – a vital stage in the journey
 - Introductory CPD on global citizenship for staff
 - Bespoke project support for implementing your World Shapers Development Plan
 - A meeting with your World Shapers Committee,
- Further guidance and support from a member of the Oxfam Education Advisory Team, by telephone and email,
- Opportunities to join other World Shapers schools:
 - At a learning and development meeting to share ideas, challenges and inspiration
 - At our Annual Review Meeting to share learning, celebrate your achievements and plan ahead for the next year,
- Opportunities to work more closely with Oxfam on projects and resources,
- Support for developing an Oxfam Youth Ambassadors programme (currently for secondary schools only),
- A membership pack containing materials and tools to use throughout your World Shapers journey, helping you set goals and track progress,
- A certificate for your school foyer, celebrating your school’s commitment to global citizenship,
- Special World Shapers prices for our CPD and in-school support options (the prices on page 11 represent discounts of up to 33% on prices for other schools).

We are starting this project from centres in Greater Manchester, London, and Oxford. If you are not in these areas, we may still be able to work with you if you join with two or more other local schools. Please contact us on 0300 200 1300 or education@oxfam.org.uk before registering.

What it costs

Membership	Year 1	Year 2 onwards
Primary school	£995	£495
Secondary schools	£1495	£745
School with fewer than 100 pupils	£595	£295

Optional extras

You can also opt for the following CPD and in-school support options

(Global Learning Programme credits can be used to cover the cost):

Defining your World Shapers ethos	A workshop to help you identify which aspects of global citizenship pupils, teachers, parents, governors and your local community feel most passionately about. Primary £300 +VAT Secondary £400 +VAT
Creating a real life curriculum with global citizenship CPD	A workshop to help you identify opportunities for global citizenship across the curriculum, enabling pupils to engage with real world issues. Primary £300 +VAT Secondary £400 +VAT
Developing pupil participation through global citizenship CPD	Exploring a range of participatory learning techniques, this workshop will help you implement pupil-centred approaches to global citizenship. You will also explore how to improve pupils' skills such as critical thinking and debate. Primary £300 +VAT Secondary £400 +VAT
Global citizenship to support transition CPD	Working with at least two other local schools, you'll focus on principles of global citizenship that can help primary pupils engage with secondary school peers by, for example, working on joint projects. This can also benefit secondary school pupils by developing their leadership skills. Price is a flat fee for a school cluster working on transition as a group. Primary £450 +VAT Secondary £450 +VAT
Bespoke CPD	After an initial discussion, we will plan and deliver bespoke CPD training with your school. This can focus on staff development, working with pupils or community engagement. Primary £400 +VAT Secondary £500 +VAT

Additional in-school support from Oxfam

Half-day £350 +VAT Full day £500 +VAT

You cannot use GLP credits to cover this cost.


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Send My Friend workshop at Oxfam
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Get in touch

If you have any questions about World Shapers or would like a chat to find out more, contact Oxfam Education on 0300 200 1300 or email education@oxfam.org.uk

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