



Barnardos & Your School

CSPE & Transition Year Education Programmes: Rights, Cyberbullying & Well-Being

Your School and Barnardos:

We would be delighted if your school would consider working with Barnardos for the academic year 2011/12 in a mutually beneficial partnership. Outlined in this proposal is an introduction to the work we do, together with the benefits we offer to the CSPE and Transition Year curriculum. By partnering with us we believe we can support both the teachers and students with specific aspects of the secondary school social awareness modules, as well as providing students with a wealth of knowledge to draw on.

We are frequently called to schools to present to students about the work we do. As the topics we address are relevant to various aspects of the CSPE, Transition Year and SPHE curriculum, we believe we can be a support to both students and teachers. Check out some of the feedback on page 5.

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Benefits to schools who partner with us – a suite of education programmes:

Should your school decide to partner with us we will provide free of charge a commitment to visit the school (at scheduled times) and liaise with the various coordinator(s) to deliver educational programmes in line with their needs and requirements.

We are in a position to deliver one or all of the programmes below:

Barnardos Well-Being Programme:

Our Well-Being education programme addresses the issue of Well-Being in children. It looks at the importance of good emotional and physical Well-Being and addresses the factors which present a challenge to achieving this. A focus on children's needs and rights forms the core of this programme. Using examples of Barnardos work, this programme is designed to get students thinking about Well-Being and encourages them to take action.

Bullying/Cyberbullying Talks (students, teachers & parents):

We deliver talks to both parents and students on the issue of Bullying and Cyberbullying. This is a growing area of concern for parents, teachers and students alike. However, equipped with up to date information, you can ensure you are fully informed. Such a programme would be suitable for the junior and senior cycle.



Rights education workshops:

Rights and their understanding is covered in the CSPE curriculum and culminates with an Action Project which often addresses themes of children's rights, abuse and social justice. Barnardos emphasis on Advocacy and children's rights is covered in this presentation and gives students an up-to-date overview of current issues in the area as well as providing useful resource links for further information.

Young Social Innovators (YSI) support:

Students in Transition Year who are considering entering the Young Social Innovators competition may benefit particularly if the topic they choose is around children's rights. We could help in presenting the issue to them and directing them to relevant resources.

What we would ask in return for this service is that the school would agree to fundraise for us through one of the two options outlined below:

Our Ask!

Option 1 (Flag Day October 2011)

In an effort to raise much needed funds, this year we are running a flag day in October and need volunteer students to collect in and around Dublin for us. Students will be furnished with a pack filled with everything they need to help organise the day. This would serve as an ideal social awareness project for the students to get involved in.

Option 2 (School Fundraising Event)

Your school could organise a fundraising event for us. We have lots of ideas for events in our fun events pack which is available online at www.barnardos.ie/schools.