

TIME FOR TEA

FOR TEA 4 TEA - WHAT WOULD YOU SAY IF THE WORLD WAS LISTENING TO YOU?

PRESS RELEASE

The purpose of Time for Tea is to provide an extremely simple, accessible and low cost project framework that children and young people of any age, background or ability can take part in, either through schools or in informal groups. It is an activity that requires only the lightest of input from hard pressed teachers, but is perfect for students themselves to lead. The original inspiration comes from the story of the peace activist Satish Kumar, who also delivered packets of tea to world leaders 50 years ago. Satish is a supporter of the current project.

The Challenge

When busy people have a cup of tea, they stop and think for a moment. Our leaders are no different. So what would you like them to think about while they drink their tea?

Groups of young people and children from the UK and other countries have been imagining a short message/slogan that they think is important. They have decided which leader they want to hear their message.

They have bought some tea, designed the most original and creative box or packet for it and put their message inside the special packet. They have then found an interesting way to deliver the message to the leader they have chosen. All they are asking is that the leader should spend 5 minutes having a nice cup of tea and thinking about something which young people say is important and give them a response.

We want to develop "T-Day" an internationally recognised day every year, when young people all around the world will speak and leaders will listen. This will be launched in 2018 after a large scale event involving teachers, youth workers and community activists from 18+ countries. The international project starts in Aug 2017 and funding is in place. There will be a large presentation event at a prestigious London location to showcase the project.

"Tea Time" is a time to reflect, to stop the stressful life for a few minutes. It's an opportunity for the leader to drink a cup of tea and think about the delivered message.

"Time for Tea" is part of Momentum World's International Learners programme. It also supports the 2020 Education initiative, in which we are a founder member.

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