



# Peace Mala: Accreditation Self Evaluation Form



*Creative Education that Empowers and Embraces All  
Uniting the World in Peace*

## School Accreditation

A Peace Mala School is committed to placing the vision and message of Peace Mala at the heart-centre of its values system. There are seven key areas for action that we require your school to provide evidence form in the form below. **Please write your evidence in the tables below and include photographs.**

<b>School Name:</b>	Christchurch C IN W VA PRIMARY SCHOOL SWANSEA SA1 3UA	
<b>Date of Submission:</b>	October 2023	<b>Award Aimed For:</b> (delete as appropriate) <i>Gold</i>



### AREA ONE

Becoming a Peace Mala School is part of the whole School Development Plan approved by staff and the Governing Body. This is shared with the whole school community. **During every academic year, a chosen year group will study and explore Peace Mala by using the kits and educational materials. This encourages Peace Mala continuity in the school curriculum and ensures that every pupil will have encountered the message and vision of Peace Mala before they leave the school.** The school will also share good practice with other schools who are members of the global community of Peace Mala.

Christchurch Primary school is the only Church in Wales school in Swansea. We are a beacon for the community, and we are a welcoming school. We are extremely proud and lucky to have such a diverse school community. We have over 20 different languages spoken, and we have approximately 160 pupils on roll.

We were visited by Estyn in October 2022 and their findings:

*"Leaders have created a positive learning environment that promotes inclusion, well-being, and an ethos of mutual respect. Teachers provide many opportunities for pupils to develop an understanding of different cultures, and this is a strength of the school. The relationships between all members of the school community reflect the kind, caring and positive ethos of the school. Nearly all pupils talk confidently about their school and take pride in their multi-cultural and diverse community."*

We became a Peace Mala accredited school in 2014, where we collaboratively promote friendship, respect, and peace between people of all cultures, lifestyles, faiths and beliefs.

Peace Mala focuses on the Golden Rule: *"Treat others as you would wish them to treat you"*. Its intention is to educate and remind everyone that this rule is recognised by many scholars, teachers and philosophers.



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In June 2023, we became an accredited School of Sanctuary (SOS) which further builds on these beliefs and with a focus on being committed to creating a culture of inclusion for refugees and people seeking asylum. We currently have seven pupils who identify as refugees. However, we believe 'refugee' is not to be referred to as a 'label' and all children are treated with love, care and respect.

## **AREA ONE EVIDENCE**

- Activities about our provision on Peace Mala are reported in assemblies and at Governors' Meetings as well as being regularly communicated to parents and the wider community. (PIC 1.1) (PIC 1.3)
- The school has a prominent designated notice board and web pages or newsletter which details Peace Mala activities. (PIC 1.2)
- Peace Mala provision continues to be a focus in the School Development Plan as a 3 yr priority. Throughout the year we attend celebrations/ church services and local Swansea initiative projects which all strongly support the Peace Mala message. As a church school, we fully support and continue to deliver a rich curriculum with the *Golden Rule* running through our provision, beliefs and values. (PIC 1.4)



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PIC 1.2



PIC 1.3



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Priority 4: Developing Religious Education						PIC 1.4
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>New format of planning introduced for Religious Education planning for spring term. The planning integrates the 'Understanding Christianity' resource with other faiths, saints, school values and Bible stories.</li><li>HMD attended LA and Diocesan training on the new RVE</li><li>HMD met with Curriculum subcommittee and explained that the new Religion, Values and Ethics (RVE) curriculum is statutory from September 2022.</li></ul>				*		
Priority 5: Transferring ALN procedures						



## AREA TWO

### AREA 2 Evidence

- Lessons are taught about Peace Mala throughout the year across the whole school. (PIC 2.1)
- We took part in a BAME project – visit <https://www.christchurchpri.co.uk/bame-project/> A project where we worked with the Arts Council and members of the BAME community to celebrate and learn from artists, poets, musicians and story tellers.
- We became an accredited SOS School of Sanctuary in June 2023 <https://www.christchurchpri.co.uk/schools-of-sanctuary/> (PIC 2.9)
- We presented how Peace Mala is vital to our SOS Provision in the Swansea Arena in July 2023 (PIC 2.2)
- We have many displays reflecting diversity and understanding of different Faiths. (PIC 2.3)
- The Agents of Change present in assemblies frequently reminding children about the Golden Rule. (PIC 2.4) The Agents of Change are a school committee who lead projects on Values, Rights, Eco, Peace, Reflectors and Sports Ambassadors. (AOC)
- We have a Language of the Month to celebrate our diversity. (PIC 2.5)
- A few of the AOC attended interfaith liturgy for world peace in September 2023. (2.6)
- We were invited to present our work at Swansea Museum June 2023 at the Peace Mala Exhibition (2.7) (2.8)

Pictures from the Arena – Collecting our award.

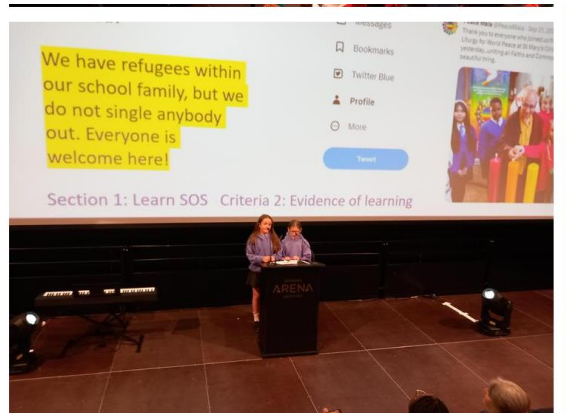


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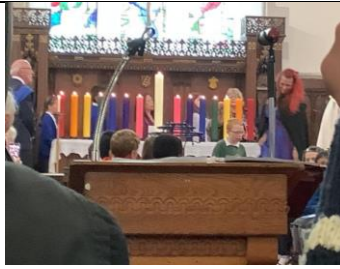
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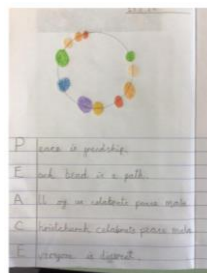
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Schools of Sanctuary

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(PIC 2.9)



## AREA THREE

By using Peace Mala in the classroom, the school supports **human rights** and helps **prevent bullying and all forms of prejudice**.

Our curriculum at Christchurch Primary is rich in heritage, history, religion, diversity and encourages our 12 Values to be at the heart of everything we do.

- We took part in the Holocaust Memorial Day (PIC 3.1)
- The AOC devised their own power points on Anti-bullying. We update our Anti Bullying Policy annually and share with all stakeholders. (PIC 3.2) (3.9)
- We regularly invite the PSCO team into Christchurch and they deliver lessons to all year groups (PIC 3.3)
- In 2023, we worked very closely with the (IRC) International Rescue Committee, and all staff were trained in how to support refugees and trauma informed learners in the classroom. (PIC 3.4)
- We have Playground and Lunchtime 'buddies' and a Buddy bendy/ Buddy Bus Stop sign. This is an area in the yard where children are encouraged to play together.
- We make Podcasts about our provisions – please visit [Gallery | Christchurch \(Church in Wales\) Primary School \(christchurchpri.co.uk\)](https://www.christchurchpri.co.uk/gallery/christchurch-church-in-wales-primary-school)
- The children in Year 2, were so inspired by the AOC assembly, the children created their own Anti bullying Raps (PIC 3.5)
- The AOC presented an Anti-bullying Parent workshop (PIC 3.6)
- The whole school took part in 'Show your heart day'. A day showing awareness of refugees and the Peace Mala Golden Thread rule- Website link [Schools of Sanctuary | Christchurch \(Church in Wales\) Primary School \(christchurchpri.co.uk\)](https://www.schoolsofsanctuary.org.uk/schools-of-sanctuary-christchurch-church-in-wales-primary-school) (PIC 3.7)
- Year 2 created a Harvest Podcast with Matthew's House Charity (PIC 3.8)
- There is a lot of evidence through our Schools of Sanctuary work (PIC 3.9) Please visit our website
- We are a Rights Respecting school, and we frequently work with the Swansea Rights Respecting Team - we collaborate frequently on Swansea initiatives.





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## Evidence



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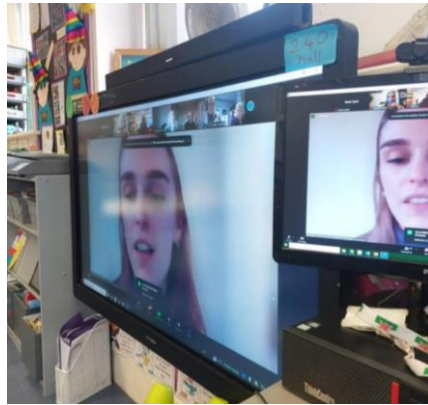
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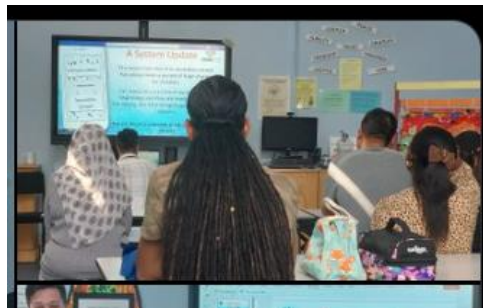
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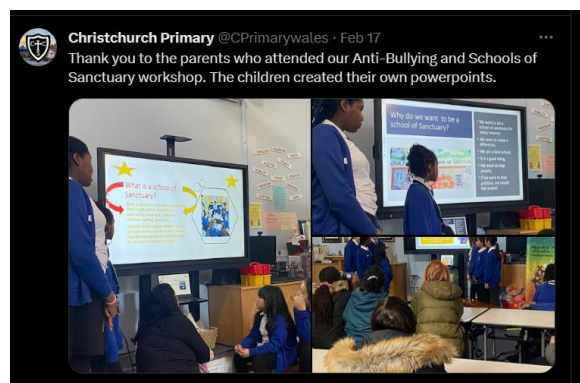
Wear your heart day – 14.2.23 assembly



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## AREA FOUR

Peace Mala encourages the school to raise **awareness of issues of global interdependence** and encourages **active compassion by** learners that will lead to positive changes locally and globally.

At Christchurch Primary, we aim to raise **awareness of issues of global interdependence** and encourage **active compassion by** learners. For example, this year we have:

- We annually take part in raising money for the charity Children in Need (PIC 4.1)
- On a regular basis Christchurch Primary hosts 'Toast Day' - the money raised supports charities in Zambia and we work collaboratively with the Open Door Charity. (PIC 4.2 and 4.3)
- During 2023, some of our teachers visited Poland, Italy, Romania, Australia and Sweden. Please visit [TRIPS AROUND THE WORLD | Christchurch \(Church in Wales\) Primary School \(christchurchpri.co.uk\)](https://www.christchurchpri.co.uk/trips-around-the-world) (PIC 4.4)
- Christchurch were delighted to be asked to be a Case study by the ICR celebrating how we provide and support refugees, vulnerable learners and trauma informed pupils. Due to be published Winter 2023.
- We have many displays around the school discussing global issues (PIC 4.5)
- We regularly take part in Swansea meetings about global issues, wellbeing, anti-racism and education with different schools and organisations.

## Evidence





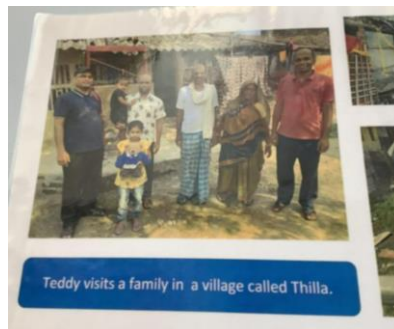
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## TRIPS AROUND THE WORLD

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Our staff at Christchurch Primary have been given AMAZING opportunities to travel across the world to visit other schools. There is no cost to our school. The trips are funded by outside agencies.

Teachers have the opportunity to take part in a professional development course. Teachers will actively engage within the spirit of sharing, collaboration and exploration. An incredible experience but very hard work. Teachers will be presenting and generating activities on their return.

Many Cultures, Many Languages... Many Friends ❤️

Have a look at some photographs below.



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## AREA FIVE

Peace Mala encourages the **celebration of cultural, racial and religious diversity** through art, music, drama and dance.

### Suggested Actions

- We host special assemblies and workshops to celebrate cultural and religious festivals. (Chinese New Year, Eid, Diwali and Judaism) (PIC 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 5.5, 5.6 and 5.7)
- We have strong links with local faith and cultural communities, for example Christchurch Church, St Mary's church and St James' church. We are developing links with local Mosques and Synagogues.
- Many teachers have made school links with schools in developing countries and brought back a wealth of new ideas and education about different countries. Visit [TRIPS AROUND THE WORLD | Christchurch \(Church in Wales\) Primary School \(christchurchpri.co.uk\)](https://christchurchpri.co.uk)
- The Foundation Phase worked with the Arts Council and with professionals from the BAME community (Artists/ Poets/ Drummers and Actors) We made a film – please view it at [BAME PROJECT | Christchurch \(Church in Wales\) Primary School \(christchurchpri.co.uk\)](https://christchurchpri.co.uk)
- Year 5 and 6 had the opportunity to visit the National Music and Drama centre in Cardiff and we sang songs to celebrate diversity. (PIC 5.8)
- KS2 made a Refugee Art Loom - It was exhibited in the Peace Mala Exhibition July 2023 at the Swansea Museum. (PIC 5.9)
- A KS2 teacher worked with artist Jeremy Thomas on 'The Human One - Artist in Residence' at St Mary's Priory. The whole of Key Stage 2 worked on a series of thirty oil paintings that illustrate the Life, Death and Resurrection of Jesus, the Christ.

### Evidence

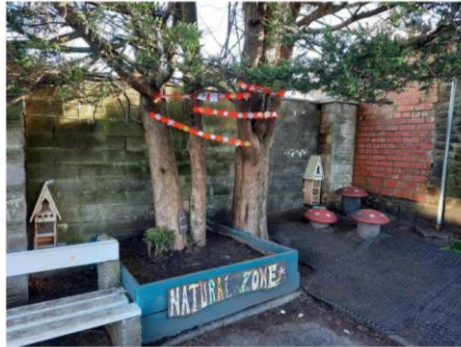
*Please provide evidence both photographic and written.*



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Our new year wishes in kindness – celebrate Jewish Tree festival new year



(PIC 5.1)

We are celebrating Diwali



(PIC 5.2)

Red poppies are a symbol of remembrance and hope for a peaceful future



(PIC 5.3)



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(PIC 5.5)





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(PIC 5.6)

👍👍👍👍 Celebrating Diversity in KS2 we are proud to be us!



(PIC 5.7)



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## AREA SIX

With Peace Mala the school actively **promotes environmental sustainability, healthy eating, and respect for all animals and wildlife.**

- In 2023, we received our 5<sup>th</sup> Eco Platinum Flag award. Our AOC help to drive the school in looking after our environment and work through seven areas in an action plan on topics like climate change, recycling, wildlife, biodiversity and healthy eating. (PIC 6.1) (PIC 6.2)



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- The Nursery and Reception children sponsor a tree during a Jewish Festival. (PIC 6.3)
- The FP2 classes sponsor the Guide Dogs charity every month.
- We currently have Level 5 award in Healthy Eating Award.
- We frequently develop our yard space to be more environmentally friendly. We worked with TESCO to plant apple trees. (PIC 6.4) We planted different vegetables; flowers and we made a Bug- hing- ham palace insect house. We made bird houses and a wormery. (PIC 6.4)
- Year 2 took part in a BEE Entrepreneurial Project -Visit [Bumblebee Business | Christchurch \(Church in Wales\) Primary School \(christchurchpri.co.uk\)](https://www.bumblebeebusiness.co.uk/) Where we turned honey into money to help pay for environmental projects in our yard.
- We work with Keep Britain Tidy and we take part in Litter picks in Victoria Park and Swansea beach. (PIC 6.5 6.6)

5th PLATINUM AWARD in a row! Well done to all! January 2023



(PIC 6.1)



(PIC 6.2)

## Evidence

*Please provide both photographic and written evidence, Eco flag, Schools Healthy Eating Certificate.*



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Nursery and Reception sponsored a tree for Tu B'Shevat



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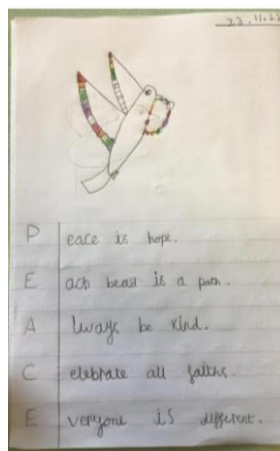
## AREA SEVEN

With Peace Mala the school encourages **Peace Education** by forming a School Peace Council and engaging in peace activities.

### Evidence

*Please provide newspaper articles, and photographic and written evidence.*

- *Our Agents of Change committee help to plan and carry out Peace related activities across the curriculum. (PIC 7.1)*
- *Every week we have an after-school Mindfulness club.*
- *We work with organisations to develop our understanding and provision of mental health in all stakeholders. (PIC 7.2)*
- *During our daily Collective Worship, we have time to reflect and pray. We have 12 Values we learn about – one each half term over a two-year cycle. One value is PEACE.*
- *In September 2023 we took part in the Peace Mala International Day of Peace at St David's Church in Morriston. (PIC 7.3) (PIC 7.4)*
- *The Agents of Change transformed an outside shed into a Sanctuary Shed – a place of Peace where all stakeholders are invited to meditate, be still and have peace. (PIC 7.5)*



(PIC 7.1)



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Every class worked with EXCHANGE to learn about anxiety



(7.2)



(PIC 7.3)

21st September 2023 – International Day of Peace – We went to St David's Church



(PIC 7.4)



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(PIC 7.5)

**School name:** Christchurch C in W VA Primary School

**Age group:** Primary

Head Teacher – Mrs Anne-Marie Adkins

Evidence submitted by Sarah- Jayne Herbert - SLT - Foundation Phase Leader – Schools of Sanctuary Leader

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Thank you for completing your Accreditation Self-Evaluation Form!  
As soon as we receive this it will be sent to our Board of Trustees and Educational Advisors for approval.

We look forward to you joining our growing family of Peace Mala Accredited Schools.



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