Build PEACE at your Library

Engage Children & Youth in Peace Day!

The **United Nations International Day of Peace** ("Peace Day") is observed across the world each year on and around <u>September 21</u>. **Peace Day Philly**, the Philadelphia region initiative for Peace Day, will take place Sept. 16 - Sept. 22, 2018. Learn more about Peace Day, local events and more at: at **www.peacedayphilly.org**.

Set aside time during Peace Day Philly to engage kids in peace activities that build awareness, understanding, compassion, racial/intercultural respect and citizenship.

Here are a few ideas for bringing Peace Day into your library...

Breathe Peace! Kids can watch this 3-minute video on breathing & mindfulness: https://vimeo.com/114715169. Then lead them in a simple breathing exercise http://bit.ly/1fdBjMu. Kids can write or draw how they felt before and after peace breathing and can keep images in their desks/lockers as a reminder to breathe.

Spin Peace! Create pinwheels with peace words and images. Go to http://bit.ly/1FloMur for this and many other peace art ideas.

Read Peace! During regular reading times, share a multicultural children's book http://bit.ly/2rXwJN4 - or an inspiring book http://bit.ly/2iSVfHz - about Peace.

Pledge Peace! Kids can create and share their own Peace Pledge. For templates: http://bit.ly/1uFtPoI.

Explore Peace! Share one of the *Global Oneness Project's* lessons, like a refugee photo essay: http://bit.ly/2rEy7Rt and spark a discussion about global issues.

Many more Peace Day activity ideas and resource links can be found in the *"What Can You Do?"* section of www.peacedayphilly.org.

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