

**European Day of Languages 2015**  
**Annual NE competition for schools**  
**Promises of Peace**

This year's NE competition marks 70 years since the end of the Second World War. This is celebrated by an international charity *Flame of Peace*

Which you can read about here: <http://www.flameofpeace.org>

*"The flame of peace is a symbol... It should remind us of our mission to work for peace in thoughts, words and deeds."*

The NE organizing committee invites language learners **in any key stage** to create an **individual** poster on the theme of Peace.

The poster must include words in a language or languages other than English, and could include imagery relating to the 'flame of peace'. The imagery could be an illustration or could be expressed, for instance, in a calligramme in the shape of a flame. No entry can be larger than a sheet of A4 paper.

This theme relates to spiritual, moral, social and cultural (**SMSC**) themes such as being a kind person, being part of a community etc.

### **Promises of Peace**

2015 is also the anniversary of the signature of Magna Carta and the promises made to the public by that great document. To recognize this, and to add further linguistic challenge, we ask learners in **key stage 4 or above** to express their thoughts about Peace as promises (again written in a language other than English). *If you feel this task is appropriate to your learners in key stage 3, then please offer it to them also.*

These could be personal promises – I promise to be polite, patient etc.

or statements as in a charter concerning the promotion of peace – Politicians will ..., Journalists will ..., The public will .. etc.

Again the poster could well include the Flame imagery, but please remind learners of the rules around copyright images.

All entries should be clearly marked with the pupil's name, age, class, teacher and school. Please give teacher contact details on the pro forma below for your bundle of entries so that we can contact winners.

We reserve the right to use winning entries including the photographs for display or promotional purposes and will inform you accordingly through newsletters or e-bulletins. Please note that entries cannot be returned.

Entries are to be sent to: EDL Competition, c/o René Koglbauer, Network for Languages, School of Education, Communication and Language Sciences, Newcastle University, NE1 7RU

Entries can also be submitted electronically by email to [nflne@ncl.ac.uk](mailto:nflne@ncl.ac.uk).

The intention is that this might form an activity in your school around the European Day of Languages itself (Saturday 26<sup>th</sup>. September), so the deadline for submission of entries will be: **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2015.**

Vouchers will again be offered to the winners; there will be one winner for each key stage, up to and including KS5. Runner-up prizes may also be awarded at the judges' discretion. In the event of insufficient entries of good quality in any specific key stage no prize will be awarded; the judges' decision is final.

The judges are made up of the competition organisers and sponsors (whom we thank): ALL, Network for Languages NE, Europe Direct, Routes into Languages NE and Crossroads Languages.

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Best wishes

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**Teacher contact details pro forma (to be returned with entries)**

School name:

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Head teacher:

Teacher contact name:

Teacher contact email address: