

## **International Education Week 2006, 13-17 November**

Help us celebrate the benefits of embedding an international dimension in education!

International Education Week (IEW), now in its 4th year, is an excellent opportunity for you to show the world how being internationally minded has benefited your school, college or organisation. You don't even have to do anything extra (unless of course you want to!), all that we ask is that, if you are planning anything related to your international activities for the Autumn, you consider holding it between 13 - 17 November so the entire country can celebrate together.

We are hoping to generate local press coverage for many of your events so please let us know of your plans for IEW 2006 by emailing us at [iew.england@dfes.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:iew.england@dfes.gsi.gov.uk) or visit the IEW 2006 website for more information at <http://www.teachernet.gov.uk/iew> where details of all the events taking place during the week can be found.

Need inspiration? Some of the fantastic IEW events held in previous years include: a visit by a Russian Space Expert and a Russian Cosmonaut to schools across Bedfordshire giving talks about their experiences; international video-conferences; a series of workshops with a Jamaican musician and storyteller; language speaking competitions; international days including students wearing their traditional national costume, playing international music, dancing, cooking traditional food, folk art and crafts, language events, and drama skits; A group of school footballers from Le Havre visiting a school in England to participate in a range of international sports based activities.

Just two of the major events already planned for this year are the British Council Education and Training Group National Conference (<http://www.britishcouncil.org/learning-above-and-beyond>) and the Development Education

Association Global Learning Award

[http://www.dea.org.uk/adult/projects\\_gla.html](http://www.dea.org.uk/adult/projects_gla.html))

Everyone, at all levels of education across England, is invited to join in so come on - **get involved and pass the word!**