

# **Intercultural Guidelines:**

# **Examples of Good Practice**

#### Name of activity:

National Poetry Day

Year group All years

### Procedure

To include Home Languages in the Poetry Day Ireland Initiative, English, MFL and Language Support Teachers can follow the steps below for an activity.

- 1. Explore poems from the One World Collection at https://poemsforthewall.org/ (Dual Language Poems available in 50 Languages)
- 2. The teacher picks one or two poems to read
- 3. Students then break into groups/pairs and choose a poem to present to the class in English or any language they choose
- 4. Students are asked why they chose this poem (similarities and differences in language/emotions/themes, etc can be explored)
- 5. Students are invited to create a digital copy of poem (original with translation) or compose their own for display around the school

Prizes can be awarded.

#### Annual initiative /embedded in classroom practice

Annual initiative

#### Cross-curricular links

English, MFL, language support

TY - Creative writing

#### Key skills

- 1. Working with others
- 2. Managing information and thinking
- 3. Communicating
- 4. Being literate
- 5. Being creative

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## Looking at Our Schools: A Quality Framework for Post-Primary Schools

DOMAIN 2: LEARNER EXPERIENCES

Students make meaningful connections between school-based learning and learning that takes place in other contexts.

Value added (e.g., wellbeing, digital skills, presentation skills, building confidence or cross-curricular links) Improved literacy skills

Reading for pleasure

Supporting diversity and wellbeing across the school

Links and resources https://poemsforthewall.org/

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