



International Day of Peace

What is the 'International Day of Peace'?



- The International Day of Peace or Peace Day is held on the 21st October.
- United Nations in 1981 to remind all countries that their main goal is world peace.

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Why have it?



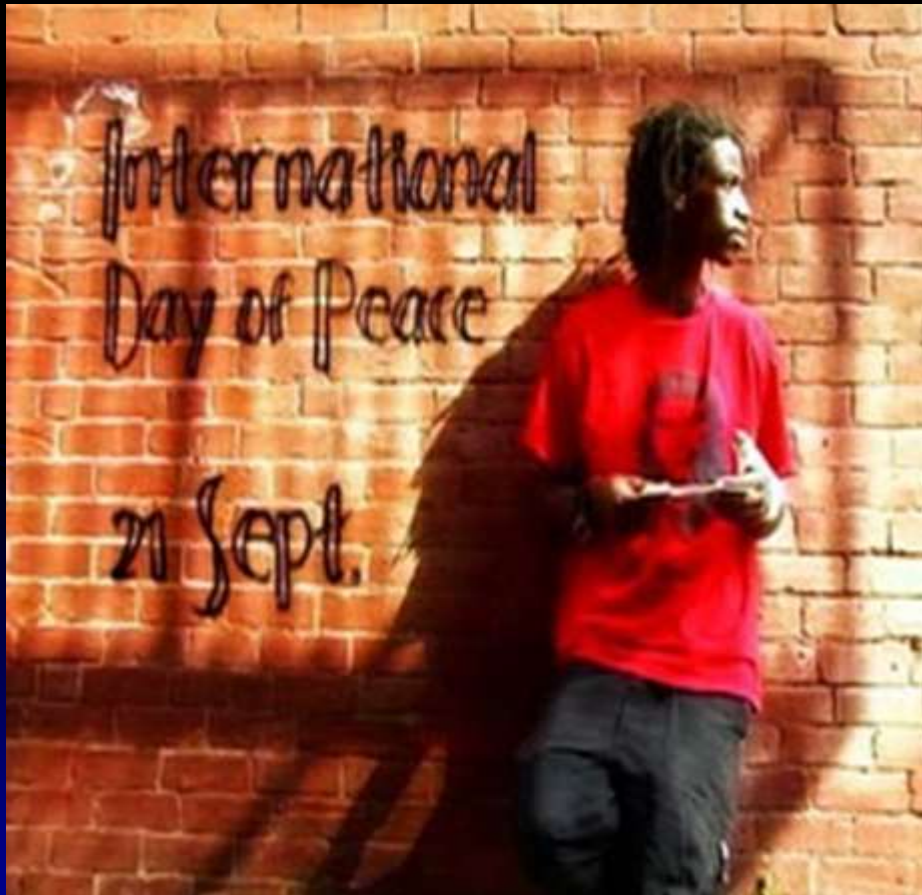
- Every minute 2 people die. 1,440 minutes in a day so at least 3000 people will die because of conflicts.
- 1/3 of the world's population is at war – 49 wars.
- 80% of those killed are not soldiers.
- 300 000 child soldiers.
- 6 000 000 wounded children.
- 12 000 000 refugees.

Current conflicts



- Afghanistan
2 000 000
- Somalia
500 000
- Syria
320 000
- Iraq
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What are people doing for Peace Day?



- Some people will organise peace marches, fairs and festivals.
- Others will plant peace gardens.
- What can we do in school?

Remember.....



Peace is more than the absence of war. It is learning to respect ourselves, each other and the planet we share. And it begins with each of us, **ONE DAY** at a time....