



The Big Think

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World Values Day Special Edition

**This year World Values Day
is Thursday, 15 October 2020**

Here's how we are joining in this global festival of values
with the theme of
'Values in Action'.



Dance Coach Zak Harris (Streetz Ahead) on school field beside Spurs ground!

The Big Question: How can you bring your school values to life?

Case Study: St Paul's and All Hallows' Primary School, Tottenham, London.

A collaboration between The Big Think and
dance charity Streetz Ahead.



Value in Action - TRUTH: Pride

The Big Question: *Should we have pride in our changing bodies?*

The Big Think team has been busy creating the final 16 lesson kits to complete our values-based Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) programme for primary schools. We are also working on the development of a **Community Values in Action Dialogue** series to use in schools to help engage the wider community in school-based social action projects.

So, when the theme of this year's World Values Day was announced as Values in Action, we jumped at the opportunity to create something special to share on the day!

One of our new tricky values is Pride (which comes under our core value of TRUTH) since this value can have both positive and negative connotations.

We thought this value theme links well with the puberty element of the new Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) requirements and so commissioned author Yasmin Floyer to write a play-script highlighting the common worries Year 5/6 children have about changes happening/or not happening to their bodies as they approach puberty - and this session was then piloted with Year 6 at TBT school St Paul's and All Hallows'.



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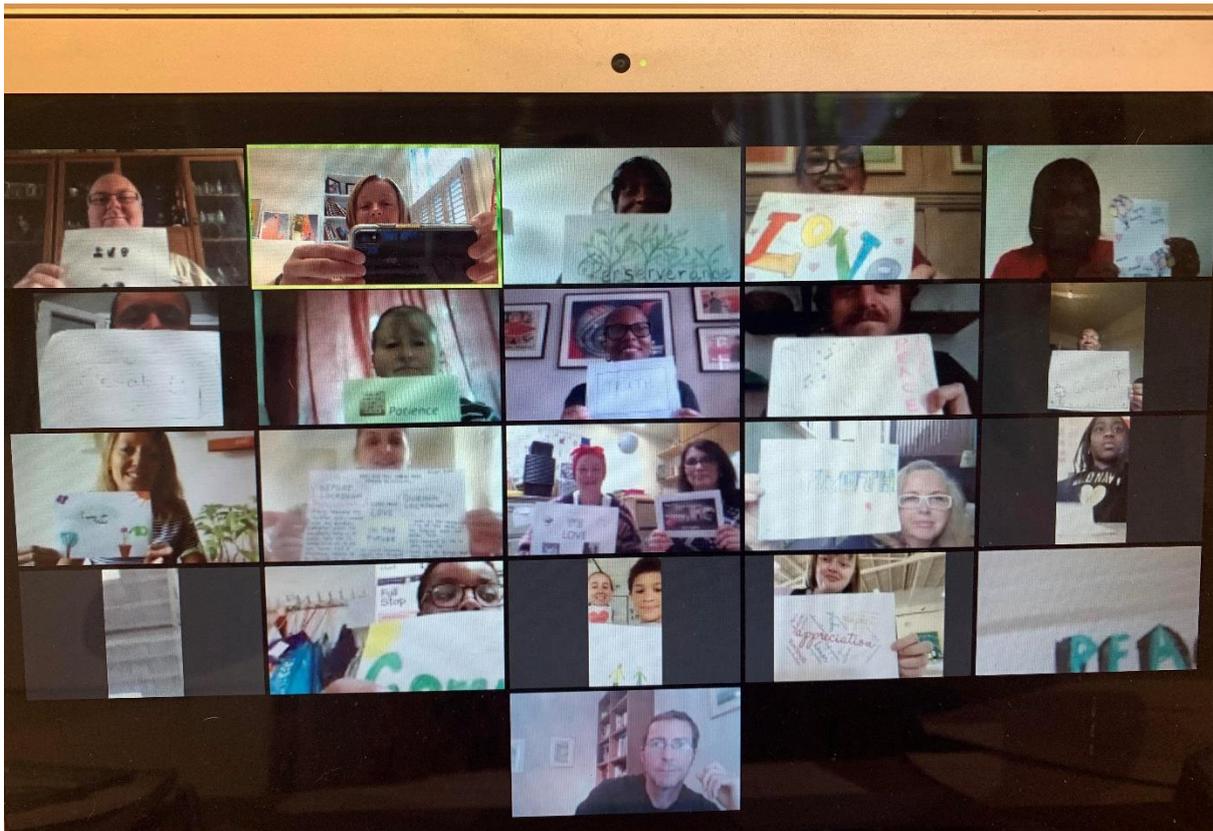
This got the TBT team thinking – how can we go further at bringing the value of Pride to life and show it in action? **How can we show the Year 6 girls in our pilot class that we should celebrate what our bodies can achieve, rather than what they look like?**

Here our collaboration with dance charity Streetz Ahead was born! We were offered their lead instructor Zak Harry to run 4 sessions with seventeen Y6 girls to create a performance based on pride in our bodies – culminating in a showcase film to launch on **World Values Day on Thursday 15th October!** See the film and what the girls thought of the project...

WATCH PRIDE IN OUR BODIES LAUNCH FILM HERE

A Values in Action Production brought to you by
The Big Think and Streetz Ahead!

Play Film



Meanwhile, our pilot *Community Values in Action Dialogue*, also at St Paul's and All Hallows' Primary School, took place this Tuesday 13th October and involved members of the Senior Leadership Team (SLT), teachers, governors, the Vicar, pupils, parents and reps from the local Tottenham Hotspur Foundation.

We will be asking The Big Question: *How can we bring our school values to life in the community?* A recording of the virtual session will be posted shortly.



Perhaps this has got you thinking... **How does your school show your Values in Action?** It might be noticing small daily acts, learning through a creative curriculum or through larger community projects.

Whatever way, using values in action to frame your work – big and small, certainly makes for very lively and engaging learning for the whole school community. We recommend you get involved now!

contact@the-big-think.org if you would like some support and info@streetzahead.org for information about running street dance projects in schools.

**Join us at the International VbE Conference
on Friday 16 October from 1.30 pm to 2.30pm**

See how your school might work with us!

Sign up [here](#) for a FREE practical workshop:
Values in Action in a Primary School



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