



Launching Fairtrade Fortnight 2017

Fairtrade and Co-ops



Monday 27th February 2017 10:30-2pm Tower Hamlets Town Hall

The United Nations estimates that the lives of over half the world's population have been improved because of co-operative businesses. They help to empower women and young people around the world. The UN calls them 'schools of democracy'. They are based on human rights and allow people to take democratic control of business and work.



- Free Training Day for primary school councillors/young activists and their support teachers (up to 8 children & 2 adults).
- Interview an expert in co-operatives, Gregory Cohn, Chief Executive, Tower Hamlets Co-operative Development Agency.
- Role play small Ugandan farmers setting up a Fairtrade co-op, featured on Fairtrade Foundation School's DVD.
- Make decisions as managers of a co-op and think about the consequences, including environmental, sustainable and rights.
- Learn how to change school projects, children lead shops and enterprises into co-operatives.
- Make a business plan, represent your co-op members – a range of participation activities.
- Take away teaching resources and methods & get free follow-up support.
- Conference run by trained students from **George Green's School**, and Michael Newman, based on workshop materials and methods developed in partnership with the Ugandan Co-op Alliance, HEC Global Learning Centre, First Questions Co-op and Pete Duncan.

"The formation of school co-operatives (see 1923 French Conference) led to wonderful development of this aspect of team work the child - buying and selling in earnest and attending to all the accounting in the same way as would be done in a business undertaking." T.J.Gueritte, 20/10/1923 Gloucester Journal

To book or for further information e-mail Michael Newman at hecnewman@yahoo.co.uk or Victoria Gainey at vgainey@georgegreens.com

New Ideals in Education, & Summerhill School in partnership with George Green's School – a project empowering children through history.



In celebration of the community of educationalists, teachers, artists, inspectors, politicians, prison workers, adult education workers, doctors, professors and children who created, looked for, shared and promoted schools based on 'liberating the child'. They met in July 1914 at East Runton as the Montessori Conference. and then onwards met every year as New Ideals in Education.