



School partnership

Luton Challney School for Girls, London & Shirin Sultan Dossa Campus, Pakistan

Our plans to develop a partnership with a school in Pakistan are progressing well. We are achieving this through the support of The Citizens Foundation, a Pakistan-based charity which is committed to building schools in the slums and rural areas of Pakistan where children might not otherwise receive a good quality education.

We have been twinned with Shirin Sultan Dossa School in Minhala which is in the district of Lahore in Punjab.

Already we have had a number of meetings with TCF's London-based representatives, Friends of The Citizens Foundation, and recently they visited both Year 9 and Year 10 to deliver talks in their assemblies about TCF and the possibilities of the project. Naturally, we have had a high level of interest from pupils who are keen to know how the project will now develop.

We are in the process of identifying 30 Year 9 and 30 Year 10 pupils who will be paired up with female Pakistani pupils. This will begin with students learning about one another through the exchange of e-mails, building awareness about the similarities and differences in each school. As FTCF representative, Hina Suleman said, "We are very excited as this is the very first time that we have attempted a twinning project. We are open to ideas from the pupils and the teachers at Challney to see how we are able to develop it further."

We will, of course, keep you informed of the project as it develops. Meanwhile, if you would like to know more about the Citizens Foundation, please visit their website www.thecitizensfoundation.org where, amongst much else, you can even view photographs of Shirin Sultan Dossa School by clicking on the "School photo gallery" icon and then following these links; Punjab/Lahore/page 8(of 9).