Scottish Interfaith Week

8 - 15 November 2026

Wellbeing

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Announcing theme for Scottish Interfaith Week 2026

This year's festival theme of *Wellbeing* encourages us to explore what it means to care for ourselves and others.

We are living in a time of social and political upheaval, where division and isolation threaten our wellbeing both as individuals and as communities.

What does it look like to sustain, nurture and uplift one another?

This Scottish Interfaith Week, we can explore wellbeing in its many forms: *spiritual, physical, mental and social.*

Think bike rides, shared meals, craftrooms, dancing, space to talk, gardening, meditation and more.

Through celebrating Scotland's religious and cultural diversity we can support and strengthen our communities, especially in the most challenging of times.

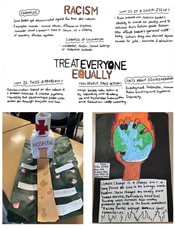
Announcing winners of the Our Future school competition 🏆

To celebrate last year's theme of 'Our Future', we asked young people about the values and social justice issues that mattered to them. We're now delighted to announce the winners of the competition!

Congratulations to Mrs Taylor's P4s and P4b classes at Giffnock Primary School for winning the primary school category by writing two beautiful poems about the importance of kindness 💜

Our high school category winner is Hanya from Buckskburn Academy 🏆. Hanya designed an eye-catching digital painting and wrote an informative letter about the importance of mental health (which you can read on our website!).

Luna, Annabell and Gurmehar, also from Buckskburn Academy, are our runners-up for creatively and informatively exploring the issues of climate change, access to healthcare, and discrimination 🎉



📰 Find out more about the competition and winners ➡️ Read article

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Did you catch us at the Scottish Teachers Association of RME's Festival of Learning?

We had an excellent time at the Festival of Learning in Glasgow on May 16th, talking about Scottish Interfaith Week 2026 and our workshops for schools 💬 📚

It was wonderful to meet so many teachers looking to bring interfaith dialogue into schools across Scotland! Many of the teachers chatted to us about the success of last year's school competition and about our plans for this year.

We will be launching resources for teachers after the summer, so keep your eyes peeled! 👀

⏭️ Want to check out our presentation about school workshops? You can view it on the Interfaith Scotland website.

We've been busy talking to you about the festival 🧳

Over the last few weeks we've been hosting meetings to talk to you about Scottish Interfaith Week and how to get involved.

We held an online meeting with members of Interfaith Scotland on May 21st and together we brainstormed ideas for faith community events, like tours of places of worship and shared meals, and we explored the barriers communities face when planning events.

On June 3rd we hosted a meeting for local interfaith group members at our office in Glasgow. We discussed many things but Scottish Interfaith Week was a particularly lively topic and we were delighted to see ideas sparking for possible festival events!

This week we met with university chaplains online to hear about the interfaith initiatives they're involved in and the challenges staff and students are facing on campus. We also started cogs turning for potential Scottish Interfaith Week events co-hosted with student faith societies. We were joined by chaplains from the University of the Highlands & Islands, University of Aberdeen, University of St Andrews, University of Stirling, University of Strathclyde, Edinburgh Napier University, University of Edinburgh and University of Glasgow.

Connecting with faith community members, local interfaith group members and university chaplains has really inspired our team and we're excited to support many exciting events for this year's festival!

⏭️ Have a question about hosting an event? Contact us at info@scottishinterfaithweek.org

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Other ways to support Scottish Interfaith Week

If you are unable to host an event but would like to support the festival then there are many ways you can help:

- volunteer at an event near you
- promote the festival in a newsletter
- mention Scottish Interfaith Week in a community meeting
- think about your own networks – who could host an event?
- ask your local library or community hub to hold an event

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