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**Fact Sheet**

**Peace Day**

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## **PEACE DAY 2007 – WHAT WILL YOU DO FOR PEACE?**

### **What is peace day?**

In 2001 the United Nations general assembly passed a resolution establishing an annual day of global ceasefire and non-violence on 21 September, marked each year across the globe.

The day provides an opportunity for all of us regardless of our nationality, faith or background to unite and demonstrate our commitment towards peace. Peace day offers us chance to recognise what can be achieved even if we have only twenty four hours peace.

### **What difference can one day make?**

Peace day is not just about the 21 September, the coming weeks give us all an opportunity to raise awareness and gain commitment from our families, friends and communities for peace.

Even one day of peace can make a difference by giving us a chance to vaccinate children, deliver food assistance and other life saving activities in insecure areas. We can all play a part in making this happen by committing to just one day of peace. Last year over 200 countries across the world marked peace day with activities involving nearly 30 million people.

### **What can I do to support peace day?**

There are lots of ways that you and your communities can pledge your commitment to peace day. Big or small it all counts, some ideas include;

- Plan a local ceremony at your school, in the work place or at the park to let your local community know why you're supporting peace day
- Join together with your local community and hold a peace picnic
- Pray for peace at your local masjid
- Spread the word by displaying posters, badges and telling your friends
- Fly kites with peace messages
- Have a poetry recital for peace
- Organise a peace fun run
- Join together with local organisations and groups to pledge your support

### **Where can I find out more?**

[www.peaceonday.org](http://www.peaceonday.org) or [www.unama-afg.org](http://www.unama-afg.org)

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