

## **FRIENDS**

Schools become *FRIENDS* by engaging in the first steps to learn more about becoming a SoS and the work that SoS/POSI do.

To become a *FRIEND* of SoS, engagement is classified as:

- Attending an event hosted by a local School of Sanctuary or SoS staff
- Attending a School of Sanctuary webinar (or requesting the recording of the webinar)
- Emailing us and asking for information or a conversation on how to become a School of Sanctuary

### **How will *FRIENDS* be supported?**

Schools of Sanctuary will:

- 1) visit them in person or meet them on zoom if requested
- 2) introduce them to local recognised Schools of Sanctuary and other support forums
- 3) freely share our resources from the website and external sources with them
- 4) arrange for them to meet Sanctuary Ambassadors where appropriate

## **MEMBERS**

These are schools that declare they wish to formally begin their SoS journey.

To become a *MEMBER*, schools are required to:

- sign and return to SoS the Pledge Form and therein demonstrate that the whole school community (management, staff, parents and students from all school year groups) is aware, informed and committed to the Pledge
- form a small committee (or absorb the task into a pre-existing school committee, e.g. Culture Club) to drive the School of Sanctuary journey. Ideally, this committee will represent all year groups in the school
- embark on a programme of activities around the 3 core values of LEARN ACTION and SHARE
- decide how they will build and sustain their portfolio
- agree to having their school listed on the SoS website as a *MEMBER* school and mentioning their pledge and journey on the school's own website and social media

### **How will *MEMBERS* be supported?**

Schools of Sanctuary will:

- 1) resource the school to embed the sanctuary message in their day-to-day life; resources will include the Resource Pack, the website, suggestions for linking the message to curriculum and ideas for language/intercultural surveys and celebrations, projects/celebrations of music, art, poetry, cooking, sport, drama and much more.

- 2) support **MEMBERS** throughout the school year with school visits and meetings in whatever way is appropriate to the school's life-style, area of engagement and timetable.
- 3) link the schools with local support groups and Sanctuary Ambassadors.
- 4) support the committee specifically with idea-sharing, invite them to webinars workshops and events.
- 5) offer special training to student committee members to become "School Sanctuary Ambassadors" to help them to represent the sanctuary message among their peers.
- 6) advise about building the portfolio.
- 7) advise about preparing for school monitoring visit by an SoS trained team of staff, Sanctuary Ambassadors and staff from a *Champion* SoS.
- 8) offer SA training to an appropriate parent or community member who the school would like to nominate as an SA

## **CHAMPIONS**

Following a successful monitoring visit, the school becomes a nationally Recognised School of Sanctuary and becomes a **CHAMPION** of Schools of Sanctuary. Recognised schools are beacons in their community and are communities where sanctuary values are lived and shared for future generations.

To become a **CHAMPION** schools are required to:

- facilitate and prepare for a school monitoring visit by an SoS monitoring team.
- in advance of this visit, send the portfolio that showcases and illustrates the school's journey through the 3 principles (Learn, Action, Share).
- commit to sharing their journey and story of success with other schools in their region and with the wider community.
- commit to maintaining the journey of sanctuary, informing new staff and students about the SoS ethos.
- continue to keeping the Sanctuary values at the heart of the school identity and ethos.

### **How will CHAMPIONS be supported?**

Schools of Sanctuary will

- 1) showcase the new **CHAMPION** school on the SoS website, including the school's portfolio.
- 2) formally celebrate the school's achievement with an invitation to an awards ceremony.
- 3) remain committed to these schools by attending events, facilitating visits by Sanctuary Ambassadors, continuing to train their students and teachers or support them in whatever ways are appropriate and required.
- 4) supply the new **CHAMPION** school with a banner/plaque/certificate to indicate their status of officially recognised SoS.

