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Office of Bahá'í Education

REMEMBER our request in May for teaching resources and lesson plans etc.? We are building up a collection of existing education materials which have been developed by the friends over the years so that we can make them available to teachers to use in their own children's classes. Since that request we have been kept very busy looking through the many and varied resources which have been sent to us. They range from Power Point presentations to stories for discussion, from a whole collection of "Children's Corners" written for a local newsletter to children's activities for a cluster meeting and many people have sent lesson plans and worksheets too. Some people have promised to look out their resources over the summer holidays to send us and some resources are even being typed up and catalogued for wider use by a youth on service this summer.

We have been really touched by so many responses and all of the materials we have been sent are sure to be of use to other people. We will be organising them and making them available during this academic year so there is still time to send us more of your work so that it can be shared too. Any educational resources which you have will be useful – the wider the range of materials we have the better!

If you do have anything to send then please contact Mitali Peckham at obe@bahai.org.uk

Office of Public Information

Editable Leaflet Template for Children's Classes

DEAR FRIENDS,

Following the success of our earlier template invitation and public information leaflets for Study Circles and Devotional Meetings we are now able to make one available for Children's Classes open to all. To obtain electronic copy please email your request to opi@bahai.org.uk asking for leaflet CC-1.

Important notes:

Like its predecessors this leaflet is an A4 trifold in Microsoft © Publisher 98 format (can be opened and edited in later versions). **YOU WILL NEED TO HAVE MS PUBLISHER 98 OR LATER TO OPEN AND EDIT THIS RESOURCE.**

The leaflet uses Century Gothic and Century Schoolbook fonts as these are widely seen as "friendly" typefaces and available on many personal computers – if yours does not have them the appearance will change slightly and you may have to edit or use a different type size. The whole point of making it editable is that you can change content and graphics as you see fit. If you change it extensively we would be grateful for a copy of the new version as we may want to draw on it or share it with others.

Organisers of children's classes are reminded that they **MUST** comply fully with the National Spiritual Assembly's Child Protection Procedures.

The Board of Huqúqu'lláh

O my heavenly friends! It is certain and evident that the Incomparable One is always praised for His absolute wealth, distinguished for His all-embracing mercy, characterised by His eternal grace, and known for His gifts to the world of existence. Nonetheless, in accordance with His inscrutable wisdom and in order to apply a unique test to distinguish the friend from the stranger, He hath enjoined the Huqúq upon His servants and made it obligatory.

Those who have observed this weighty ordinance have received heavenly blessings and in both worlds their faces have shone radiantly and their nostrils perfumed by the sweet savours of God's tender mercy. One of the tokens of His consummate wisdom is that the payment of the Huqúq will enable the donors to become firm and steadfast and will exert a great influence on their hearts and souls. Furthermore the Huqúq will be used to charitable purposes.

'Abdu'l-Bahá: Huqúqu'lláh p. 1

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