Prompts for next edition of Touchstone

2nd October / International Day of Non violence

The International Day of Non-Violence is marked on 2 October, the birthday of Mahatma Gandhi, leader of the Indian independence movement and pioneer of the philosophy and strategy of non-violence.

The International Day is an occasion to "disseminate the message of non-violence through education and public awareness". The resolution reaffirms "the universal relevance of the principle of non-violence" and the desire "to secure a culture of peace, tolerance, understanding and non-violence". It marks universal respect for Mahatma Gandhi and of the enduring relevance of his philosophy.

Prompt: The significance of Non violence in Today's world (150 words)

5th October / World teachers Day

The United Nations' (UN) World Teachers' Day commemorates the work of teachers and their contributions to society. The Day celebrates the role teachers play in providing quality education at all levels.

Prompt:

- 1. What would you do if you were a teacher for a day? (100 words)
- 2. Write a poem about the meaning of teaching (100 words)

31st October / Halloween:

As you Trick or treat through haunted Nichada this fateful night, do remember to share your pictures with us. We have a centrespread to fill. The scarier the better!

(All images to be a minimum of 300 dpi or 9 kb resolution / One picture per family only)

16th November / International Day for Tolerance:

The United Nations International Day of Intolerance is observed to educate people about the need for tolerance in society and to help them understand the negative effects of intolerance. It is a time to respect the recognise the rights and beliefs of others. It is also a time of reflection and debate on the negative effects of intolerance in our world.

Prompt: Imagine you are a delegate for the UN. Which issues will you promote? (150 words only)

20th November / Universal Children's Day

United Nations **Universal Children's Day** was established in 1954 and is celebrated on November 20th each year to promote international togetherness, awareness among **children** worldwide, and improving **children's** welfare.

Prompt: Draw your head. Then fill it up with words and pictures, showing what's going on in your mind at any given point.

10th December / Human rights day:

The **Human Rights Day** (HRD) is observed every year on December 10 to commemorate the Universal Declaration of **Human Rights**. ... The **2016 theme** is "Stand up for someone's **rights** today!", which emphasises on peace and harmony with respect for each other's **rights**.

Prompt: Today is Human Rights Day. Make a list of rights you think all people should have. (100 words only)

25th December / Christmas:

Christmas is an annual festival commemorating the birth of Jesus Christ, observed most commonly on December 25 as a religious and cultural **celebration** among billions of people around the world.

It is traditionally characterised by tinsel-decorated trees, mince pies, present-giving and a turkey dinner. Families come together to eat, drink, be merry and argue over xmas TV, whereas children look forward to a visit from Santa Claus and his sack of presents.

Prompt: Finish this sentence in 5 different ways: This Christmas I hope ...

Are there any other days or celebrations you would like to write about? Feel free to send them to us!

Submit your writing to <u>touchstone@isb.ac.th</u>