



Zoom # 1 - Who am I / Who are We?

Overview

This first connection enables students to get to know their partner school and share about themselves and their schools. It aims to “break the ice” and let the students become familiar with connecting both globally and cross-culturally with another Edmund Rice school. This enables the second Zoom to be focussed on a deeper dialogue about the topic that has been studied. This first connection is led by the teachers.

Steps

1. Teachers' welcome students, introduce themselves and explain what the purpose of this connection is.
2. Students are invited to introduce themselves and share something interesting about them.
3. Two students from each school share something interesting about their school and two students share what makes it a Catholic school in the Edmund Rice Tradition.
4. Two students from each school ask a question about their partner school/country and two students are invited to respond.
5. Each student types in the dialogue what they enjoyed about the connection and what they are looking forward to about the partnership.

Guidelines

- Minimise the time each teacher talks – the aim is for the students to share their experiences.
- Students only speak for a maximum of one minute each.
- Ensure every student gets a chance to share something and each partner school has equal time.
- If students decide to use a PowerPoint, only show one slide with pictures, not text.

Practicalities

- One school sets up the Zoom link and shares it with the other teacher
- Teachers come on 10 mins early to “set up”
- Each person displays their name (first name only)
- No breakout rooms to be used
- No sharing of email address/phones number or social media account details