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MOUNT GOES GREEN TO CELEBRATE QUAKER SCHOOLS WEEK

Next week (4-8 October) will see Quaker schools all over the country celebrate the national Quaker Schools Week.

On home turf, The Mount School, York – the UK’s only all-girls Quaker school – will be reconnecting with the ‘roots’ of Quakerism with a host of green activities to get pupils thinking about the kind of impact they make on society and the planet.

On “Make a Difference Monday”, as many pupils and staff as possible will walk, cycle or car share into school to minimise their carbon footprint. On ‘Eat Green Tuesday’, the focus will be on eating healthy, organic, locally produced produce with minimum food miles, Wednesday is ‘Peace Jam day’ when the girls will create a piece of art to celebrate peace and swap shop to share books, DVDs, CDs, games and accessories to minimise waste and prepare for Friday’s themed-day. Thursday will see guest speaker a local Quaker, John Guest, speak to girls about the importance of ‘simplicity’. And the week ends with ‘Green Dress Down Day’ where pupils will be wearing green coloured clothing.

Principal Julie Lodrick says: “Quaker Schools Week is always a joy here at The Mount as we celebrate and focus on our Quaker values and remind ourselves to lead simpler more sustainable lives that contribute positively to the world we share. There’s sure to be a lot of fun and lot of learning for all involved.”

There will be great opportunities for photo calls on each day. Please contact Julia Hampshire on 01904 667500 to arrange a shoot.



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The leading York Mount School originated in 1785. The only all-girls' Quaker senior boarding school in the UK, The Mount boasts an outstanding academic reputation and caters for a wide social and ethnic mix.

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