

## **Peace and Goodwill Message 2017 from the Young People of Wales**

We invite young people across the world to join with us in our call for equality for young people

### **We wish to receive equality:-**

In our education opportunities, in our freedom to live according to our sexuality, when dealing with our disabilities, in our life choices and opportunities, in our rights to use our own language, when tackling racism and in our freedom of religion.

Without equality and recognition of our rights, others see us in a different light.

### **We call for our voice to be heard, we wish that our voice is respected.**

We call for the right for all of us to express our opinions and for young people to have a vote, asking others to speak with us before speaking on our behalf.

We do not have all the answers, we have our weaknesses, and we acknowledge them so that we can keep on learning.

We need to receive the correct information.

We need to be educated on social, political and international matters, and by encouragement not enforcement we are able to influence others.

Together, we can raise standards within our communities for the generations of today and the future – ensuring that equality is at the heart of decisions for the future.