

From Holland to Henlow

The Anne Frank Trust took its flagship *Take a Stand* exhibition to Henlow Church of England Academy in March. The two-week programme draws on the life and diary of Anne Frank to empower young people to challenge prejudice and discrimination, and promote responsibility and respect for others.

How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world.

The exhibition also showcases other inspirational people such as Nelson Mandela, Rosa Parks and Gandhi who have all shown moral courage against injustice and prejudice.

The programme provides leadership development for young people in secondary schools by training them to be exhibition guides, encouraging them to teach others the legacy of the diary and to understand the damage caused by hatred and prejudice.

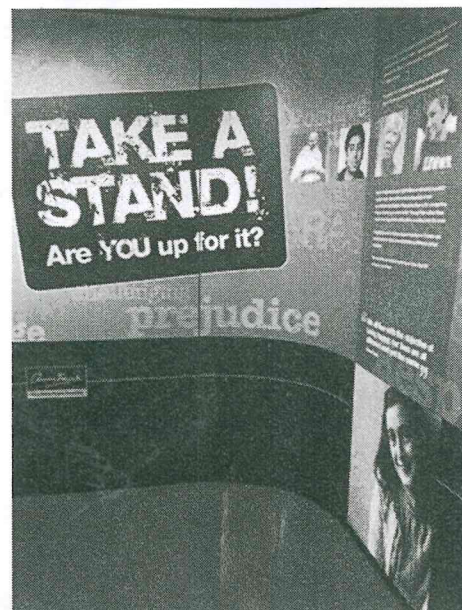
Val Ross, Eastern Regional Manager for the Anne Frank Trust, commented: "In our experience, and working with over 30,000 young people each

year, Anne Frank's diary continues to inspire and speak directly to them, providing opportunities to learn and reflect on the consequences of prejudice and discrimination. The

Take a Stand exhibition prompts us to think and question what our responsibilities are to make a real and lasting difference to our communities.

"We are delighted to be working in partnership with the Diocese of St Albans to promote active citizenship, community engagement and positive attitudes."

The true greatness of a person does not lie in riches or power, but in character and goodness. Everyone is human, everyone has his faults and shortcomings, but everyone is born with a great deal that is good in him. People will always follow a good example: be the one to set the good example, then it won't be long before others follow.



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Anne Frank was born in Frankfurt Germany in 1929. Following Hitler's election in 1933 her family fled to Amsterdam to escape Nazi persecution. There she had a very happy childhood until the Germans invaded Holland in 1940. The family went into hiding above her father Otto Frank's business in July 1942 until their arrest in August 1944. On her 13th birthday, Anne was given a diary, in which she recorded her thoughts and feelings before and while in hiding. After the war her father chose to publish her diary as means to challenge the ideology that wiped out his family. Anne, her sister Margot and mother Edith all perished in the camps before liberation.

First published in 1947, the diary has sold over 30 million copies in over 60 countries and

