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Dear Colleague

Holocaust Memorial Day - Monday 27th January 2020

Over many years, the Council and its partners have commemorated Holocaust Memorial Day by holding a service in Solihull. The service has developed year on year. The aim is for this Memorial Day to continue in 2020, involving Solihull's schools and colleges.

Holocaust Memorial Day (HMD) 2020 marks 75 years since the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau. The theme for HMD 2020 is ***Stand Together***.

Schools and academies in Solihull are invited to:

1. Send two - three student representatives to the main service which will be held on **Monday, 27th January 2020 (11.00-11.45)**, in the Council Chamber at the Civic Suite, Solihull. Students should be accompanied by one member of staff.
2. Send a maximum of 10 pupils (this may change depending upon numbers interested) to a talk by Rabbi Pink about his own family's experiences during the Holocaust. This will take place in the refreshment room at the Civic Suite, Solihull between **1:00 pm – 2:00pm** – Year 6/KS 3, 4 or 5.

If you would like to send representatives, please notify my colleague, Kim Sherlock, at seis@solihull.gov.uk, confirming numbers and names by **Monday, 13th January 2020**.

To support your school, should you wish to organise any activities, please visit the [Holocaust Memorial Day Trust](#) website. More material is available from the [National Holocaust Centre](#) website. We would also be very interested to learn of planned activities.

Please get in touch if there are any queries.

Yours sincerely



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