

## Campaigning

One way to continue to raise awareness of refugee issues is through campaigning. You could also use the opportunity of Refugee Week to highlight current campaigns, and involve students in taking action. Here are some suggestions to get you started:

- You can join Refugee Council campaigns that try to uphold the human rights of refugees in Britain; email campaigns@refugeecouncil.org.uk.
- Details of current campaigns can be found on the websites of refugee organisations. Check out www.refugeecouncil.org.uk or www.refugeeaction.org.
- You can join Amnesty International's Junior Urgent Action network this
  helps people who have had their human rights violated and may be in great
  danger.
  - http://www.amnesty.org.uk/content.asp?CategoryID=773
- You can start a letter-writing campaign. Write to newspapers to point out
  the real facts if you see any articles or letters that are misinformed. Or write to
  your MP and tell him/her what you think should be done by the government to
  help refugees and asylum-seekers.
- Join Student Action for Refugee's Youth Network maybe form a group with some friends. With STAR, you can learn more about the issues facing refugees and get involved in supporting the rights of asylum-seekers. Contact youth@star-network.org.uk or call the Youth Outreach Officer on 020 7840 4425.
- Contact Refugee Week for suggestions on where to get hold of more information and free resources such as posters and postcards promoting Refugee Week. Contact the national team on info@refugeeweek.org.uk or 020 7346 6752