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Commonwealth Countries League Champions Youth Leadership and Climate Action with International Children’s Peace Assembly 2025

London, UK – May 2025 – As part of its Centenary Celebrations (1925–2025), the Commonwealth Countries League (CCL) is proud to announce its partnership with the *International Children’s Peace Network (ICPN)* for the upcoming **International Children’s Peace Assembly (ICPA)**. This week-long event, running from **16–24 August 2025**, will bring together **100–120 young people** from across the Commonwealth to promote peace, leadership, unity, and environmental responsibility.

The ICPA aims to nurture holistic youth development through educational workshops, cultural exchanges, and leadership training. A major highlight of the week will be the **Centenary Tree Planting Ceremony on 19 August**, where each participating child will plant a tree, symbolising **peace, unity, and protection of the planet**—a gesture echoing CCL’s mission and commitment to environmental stewardship.

Honey Kalaria, CCL Events Team Member, Global President of ICPN and Environment Chair for Rotary District 1130, shared:

“Our youth are the heartbeat of the future Commonwealth. Through the International Children’s Peace Assembly, we’re not just educating young minds—we’re empowering them to lead with compassion, wisdom, and responsibility. The symbolic planting of 100 trees by children representing different Commonwealth nations will leave a lasting legacy of peace and sustainability.”

Duchess Williams-Alonga, President of CCL, added:

“As we mark 100 years of progress, we remain deeply committed to investing in the next generation. Supporting initiatives like the Children’s Peace Assembly reflects the CCL’s belief in peace-building, environmental care, and empowering young voices to shape a better tomorrow.”

This inspiring initiative forms part of CCL’s year-long centenary celebrations and strengthens its historic commitment to **girls’ education, unity, and environmental advocacy** across the 56 Commonwealth nations. To get involved or nominate a young delegate, visit: www.commonwealthcountriesleague.org / www.icpeacenetwork.org **ENDS**

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About CCL - Founded in 1925 by suffragette Alice Hemming, the Commonwealth Countries League is a voluntary, pan-Commonwealth civil society organisation that champions girls' education, gender equality, peace, and mutual understanding across the 56 Commonwealth nations. **Mission:** "A century of change, empowering generations, educating girls, uniting nations, protecting our planet"

About ICPN: - The **International Children's Peace Network (ICPN)** is a global initiative dedicated to empowering young people through peace education, intercultural dialogue, and sustainable development projects. ICPN works to create platforms where children and youth can become ambassadors of peace, unity, and environmental stewardship. Through international assemblies, workshops, and creative programs, ICPN nurtures leadership rooted in compassion and global citizenship.

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