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Our Films: Our Europe Launches

The Scottish European Educational Trust (SEET) is proud to announce that **Our Films: Our Europe**, an innovative film making project for secondary school pupils, will launch on **1st September 2015**. The launch will see every secondary school in Scotland receiving an e-vite to sign up and take part.

The project comprises of three main phases, the first of which is the submission of storyboards. Pupils are asked to work in teams of four (S3 – S6) to come up with a creative idea for a film based on how being a European citizen affects them, as young people living in Scotland. Teams will be encouraged to work digitally with pupils from a partner school abroad to gain different perspectives on being a young European citizen which they can incorporate into their film. During this planning stage, SEET staff will make visits to schools to work with pupils on developing their ideas and forming their storyboard entries.

Once entries have been submitted, 18 teams will be invited to participate in the second phase of the project. This will entail teams attending one of three all day film making workshops, to be held across the country, where they can spend the day working with film making professionals to bring their ideas to life. Pupils will receive training and support throughout the day to help develop their technology, language and presentation skills as well as their confidence.

The third and final stage of the project will be a grand premiere and awards ceremony. All the teams who produced a film will be invited to come together, along with their friends and family, to watch their completed films for the first time. At the screening, awards will be presented in recognition of their hard work and achievements throughout the project. The event will be live streamed to allow pupils' peers, both at home and at partner schools abroad, to watch and participate digitally.

Our Films: Our Europe is a new and improved version of the Our Europe Film Competition, which SEET has run for the past three years. The demand for the project has increased every year, with participation numbers tripling in 2014-15. Therefore, this new model incorporates two additional workshops, so that more pupils from a diverse range of backgrounds are able to participate and have the chance to turn their ideas into finished films.

If you would like more information about the project please contact madeleine@seet.org.uk

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