Arts for peace!

An arts workshop organised by the Heinrich – Heine grammar school and the Youth Migration Services from Diakonie Bitterfeld.



First some welcoming words and instructions...



...then the creative work could start. This is our peace tree.







On this table origami figures were made.



We also created decorations from acorns and other natural materials.

Here is our cake and salad bazar:







The task was to fill the tree with colourful leaves – as beautyful as we all are.



Origami is not as easy as it may look like...





A beautyful origami heart.



In the end our peace tree was very colourful.



An origami crane – in Japan it's also a symbol for peace today. There are initiatives that engage people to create paper cranes and to send them to the memorial places of Hiroshima – as a sign against war. We read about this story in the Internet. A girl who survived the catastrophe of Hiroshima started to make paper cranes. She wouldn't stop until she would have created a 1000 ones. Unfortunately, she died before she could finish this work. Then people in Japan and all over the world wanted to join this idea. They sent paper cranes to Japan – to remember the Japanese girls' story and thousands of other peoples' destiny during World War II.





Golden acorns.



Decoration made from modelling clay.



Sara created a Christmas card. It's written in Afghan letters "Merry Christmas" on it.



Lea, Victoria, Marie, Mrs. Neubert and the peace tree...







It was a wonderful afternoon. We met some old friends and got to know lots of new people. We heard a lot of interesting but also moving and emotional storys. People just came together and spent their time here. It was great! We all can create a peaceful society.