



NotrePod Ideas



General Uses

- Play it either during or before an assembly, or during registration time.
- Add a link to it on your website.
- Enable students and parents to download it onto their mobile devices
- Ask students to look for things that their school has in common with other Notre Dame Schools around the world.
- Ask students to think of questions that they would like to ask about other ND schools.
- What aspects of their school could they share in the next NotrePod?

Religious Education/Studies

St Julie quotes:
"Be like the sunflower that follows every movement of the sun, and keep your eyes always turned towards our good God."

Mission Statement

Sisters of Notre Dame,
women with hearts as wide as the world,
make known God's goodness and love of the poor
through a Gospel way of life, community and prayer.

Continuing a strong educational tradition,
we take our stand with poor people,
especially women and children,
in the most abandoned places.

Each of us commits her one and only life to work with
others to create justice and peace for all.

1. Research your school's mission statement. What does it have in common with the mission statement of SND and St Julie's vision for education?
2. Reflect on your experiences of Notre Dame. In what ways do your actions bring to life the mission statement of your school?
3. In what new ways are you going to live your Notre Dame life to the full and why?

Music

The NotrePod theme tune was composed by a student at Notre Dame High School Norwich.
Discuss what makes this a good piece as a bed for NotrePod.
Compose a 30 second piece that could be used for a NotrePod video for your school.

ICT

- Download the powerpoint to look at how each slide was made.
- Discuss what makes a clear presentation.
- Discuss how the images enhance the presentation.
- Discuss how the video could be improved.
- Show how to save a powerpoint presentation as .png files (File, Save As, File as type, .png)
- Show how to import images into Movie Maker.
- Use Audacity or other audio editor to import the tracks and export as one soundtrack.
- Add the soundtrack to Movie Maker
- Save the file.

- Make a video of your own on a topic that interests you.
- Start with a storyboard of ideas in PowerPoint
- Make your finished slides
- Save your slides as .jpps
- Find some appropriate music (freeplaymusic.com)
- Publish your video and share.

Geography

1. Use Google maps or equivalent to find some of the Notre Dame schools in the video.
2. Use satellite view to look at the places they are in.
3. Find a school in each continent using this list <http://www.sndden.org/en/how-we-serve/education/our-schools/>
4. How would life be different if you went to a Notre Dame school in a different country?
5. What questions would you ask students at that school about where they live?

Voluntary Work

- Look at the examples of voluntary and charity work done by students in the different schools.
- Why do you think that this is an important part of education?
- What activities does your school do to help others?
- What activity could you help to organise/get involved in?

