THE SPEECH FOR STUDENTS (For the campaign 15 Sep to 2 Oct)

Our Message for the day:

Our environment is important for us. Not only locally but also globally around the world. Today it’s time to lay focus on the environment. We do this special deed together with thousands of students, teachers parents and local communities around the world. We plant trees today in the North, South, East and West. Schools in many other countries are planting trees with us. Trees that we plant today are included as a part of big “Plant and care for peace” -campaign organised together with Treebuddy-Earth and it’s partners like Environment Online – ENO, a school and community network for sustainable development. ENO started more than 20 years ago in a small village in Eastern Finland and has grown into a big network of schools.

Today we are also celebrating the International Day for Peace, with a slogan “End Racism. Build Peace.” Let us celebrate the day by spreading compassion, kindness and hope in the face of the world situation. We are to stand together with the UN to find creative ways to help everyone recover better, to build resilience, and to transform our world into one that is more equal, more just, equitable, inclusive, sustainable, and healthier.

Tree is a symbol for us. Firstly, it reminds us of nature and the importance of climate and environmental protection. Secondly, it symbolizes our co-operation between schools and communities around the world. We live in different cultures but appreciate their richness. We respect the rights of everyone, also nature and animals. Let’s mark these trees as peace trees and grow together with our trees towards better future.