

WE INVITE ALL ENO STUDENTS AND TEACHERS AROUND THE WORLD TO SWITCH ON THE LIGHTS WITH US. JOIN US ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2023 AT 5:00 PM LOCAL TIME.

Dear teachers and students, please join our beautiful annual event, when the schools and children switch on the lights around the world – this year for friendships. As a global network of schools and communities, we cherish making friendships around the world to demonstrate the power of collaboration. In a world where we face devastating wars and other complex challenges, we need more than ever to pay attention to kindness and nurturing global friendships to achieve peace and solutions for climate change. We must remember that; a friend is a gift, we give ourselves. Let's join together and continue inspiring each other by fostering our friendships with a light chain that will embrace the world and bring light to all people. The event can be either performed in schools or individually at home. It only matters that we put our thoughts and lights together!

Please, don't forget to register, it will certainly make everything much easier.

REGISTER: <https://forms.gle/3jAtJ1KiZ8Wqsfo47>

by November 30, 2023

PROJECT:

1. MAKE a lantern (See the instructions below) or construct any other type of a light, if it is easier for you. Only reused materials and objects can be used. You can make as many lanterns / lights as you want.
2. Each student can make his own little light and switch it on at home—remember to send us the photo.
3. Hang the lantern/light in a tree in the schoolyard or in a public park if possible.
4. Prepare a short event, you are completely free in organizing it. If possible, invite parents and local community.
5. The outdoor event should take place between 5.00 and 6.00 PM local time. At 5:30, you switch on the lights.
6. Take a photo of your lanterns/lights and the event and post it on [ENO Teachers FB page](#). Do not forget to tell us who you are and where you are from! You can post max 5 photos. Make sure that the photos are the best quality and DO NOT MAKE collages.
7. Post your photos in the week from 1st December till 10 the December latest!
8. All active participating schools and mentors will receive participation certificates. Your photos will be used in an online gallery and in a video, so make the best photos you can!

VIDEO:

Your photos will be used in a video, which you will be able to play in school.

Enjoy year 2020 magic lanterns also in the video Light to the Future:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gYUB3ytXY6c&list=UUCuyYj8UXIGjuLce_SdG-QQ&index=6

Enjoy year 2019 fantastic lanterns also in the video with the beautiful Mika Vanhanen's music Silent Steps: <https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=439464550334352>

and Imagine:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ln59ngiYbqQ&list=UUCuyYj8UXIGjuLce_SdG-QQ&index=5

HOW TO MAKE A LANTERN:

- Although you can make any type of a light, it is really rewarding to make a real lantern. It is not difficult, it just takes a bit of time, but students will enjoy it a lot.
- This year's theme is Light for Friendships. Focus on thinking about the meaning of friend or friendship. Do you have friends abroad? Where? Think also if you can collaborate on making the lantern with a friend or collaborate to build new friendships.

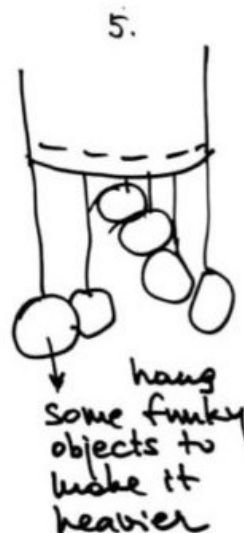
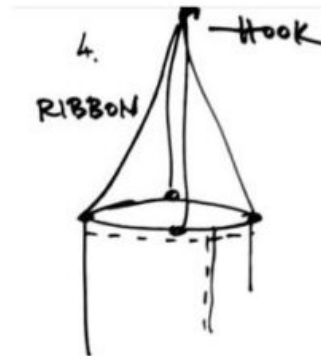
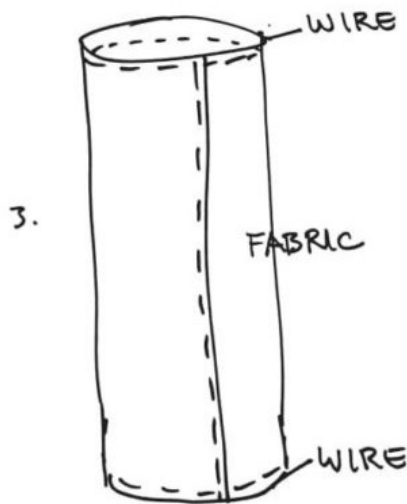
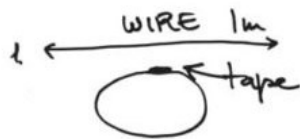
You need a piece of transparent fabric 2 m x 1 m (it can be a sheet or fabric for covering the plants) and 2m of wire, 4m of ribbon, a needle, thread and strong tape

Instructions:

1. Cut the wire in half (1m each), bend it and make two circles. Fasten the ends with tape.
2. Cut the fabric 1 m wide and 2 m long. The fabric can be any color you want, just make sure it has no patterns and it is transparent.

Students decorate the fabric with their drawings/ comics/ thoughts / texts/ poems/ 3D objects/ flowers, glass... / only the sky is the limit.

3. When finished, sew the fabric longwise first. After that, sew the fabric around the metal circles at the top and at the bottom of the lantern.
4. Cut the ribbon into 4 pieces. Fasten them on four spots at the top of the lantern. Make a knot or end it with a hook.
5. Hang something at the bottom of the lantern to make it heavier: bottles, ribbons, pompoms, branches, wood, shoes, CDs ... It can be anything, just use your imagination!
6. Use LED lights. Hang a battery powered clear LED light (single or strands) from the ribbon at the top. You can also use solar light or electricity.
7. Hang the lantern and make sure it is switched on every day through December.



Some examples of the last year's lanterns:

