

School name and address

Date

Dear [Name] MP

House of Commons

London

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The Families Together Campaign

I am/We are writing to tell you about school/college taking part in the Families Together campaign and call for your support.

Right now in Ukraine – and the world over – people are being forced to flee war, conflict and persecution. They leave behind all they have. The world’s refugees have a right to safety, to live their lives in peace and to be united with rather than divided from their families.

Family life is wonderful. The everyday things we may take for granted, like sharing a meal, playing a game, or even just curling up on the sofa in front of the television are truly incredible moments to cherish and celebrate. The Covid-19 pandemic reminded us all how important these moments with our families are.

Where would we all be without our families?

Refugees in the UK often find themselves separated from their families following brutal experiences of conflict or persecution. Being reunited with family members can be a life changing moment, bringing together loved ones who had been torn apart by war and violence.

But many refugee families in the UK are still missing this piece of the puzzle. That’s why we’ve taken part in the Families Together Campaign. **BRIEFLY DESCRIBE THE CAMPAIGN IN YOUR SCHOOL/COLLEGE**

Currently Home Office rules prevent many families from being together just when they need each other the most. These rules risk driving people to undertake dangerous journeys, often putting their lives in the hands of people smugglers, so that they can be with their relatives. There should be adequate safe routes for families fleeing war and bloodshed to seek sanctuary in the UK, whether from Ukraine, Yemen, Afghanistan or beyond. I’d/We’d like your support to discuss this further and bring changes to these rules.

That’s why students have been campaigning to show our support for refugee families. We’d like the opportunity to discuss this issue with you in person, on an online platform.

Or

That’s why students have been campaigning to show our support for refugee families. We’d appreciate you raising this important issue in Parliament and responding to our campaign.

We look forward to hearing from you soon

Best wishes

[Your Name]

[Your school address & school email address]