

## WFWP Portugal marks the European Week Against Racism

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The Secondary School of Odivelas, Adelaide Cabette, hosted an event on 9 March 2016, under the theme "City and Diversity", in order to mark the European Week Against Racism (12-21 April 2016). The event addressed the topic of diversity, talking with the students about interculturalism, at a time of new challenges in today's world.

This event was promoted by 'Culturface' in partnership with the High School of Odivelas, and with the participation of WFWP Portugal (FMPM). WFWP in turn invited UPF Chairman Dr. José Sérgio Vieira who gave a brief introduction to 'Character Education'.

Culturface - Cultural Association for Development – later commented on the contribution by WFWP, through its President Dr. Marta de Carvalho, as follows: "The President of the Women's Federation for World Peace/Portugal conveyed a great message to young students from 7th and 12th Grade who were present, and emphasized the importance of the dynamics related to the family, school and service as training values for good citizenship..."

Also participating was the Hon. President of Odivelas Parish Council, Dr. Nuno Gaudencio. In his speech alluding to this European Week against Racism initiative, he gave words of encouragement to the students, recalling the years he was also a student at the same school, and explained the concepts related to interculturalism. He also spoke on the importance and the role of a parish council and launched the challenge to young students so that through the Parish Council they can carry out initiatives such as study visits to the Parliament, and other activities of interest to the school.

The event ended with a group photo, taken together with participants that included the presence of the writer António Manuel Palhinha and Prof. Liberto, guests of WFWP.

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