

FUSION CITIES 2 MEETING

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POEMS AND REFLECTIONS
CAPTURING THE ESSENCE
OF DISCUSSIONS WHICH
TOOK PLACE AT THE
FUSION CITIES 2 MEETING
BY COMEDIAN

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POEM

For me
This has been a morning of stories

A cry for change
From
Instigators advocaters educators motivators
Collaborators
Cultivators
Leaders
Weavers
Dreamers

Live streams with green screens by the sea
An eight year old boy with cerebral palsy
He can't hold a pencil but he's
Playing the piano at glastonbury
Changing the world view
On a stage made from toilet roll tubes

The career advisor who spells actor
D-o-c-t-o-r

Glass walls in schools where kids are called
To watch artists performing with their tools

The disparity between
Barriers and opportunity
Literacy and creativity
Education v imagination
Collaboration v segregation
Ability v visibility
Repertoire v recipe

Taking responsibility
Connecting communities
Thriving and empathising

Creating shape and a safe space
Where you can share your voice

Spread the word
Walk the talk
Fly the dream
Join the dots

All of these I have seen today in relation to Fusion Skills.

And for those of you who can't remember what they all are, as a Communications Coach I'm great at forming catchy Mnemonics so...just think of

C.A.R.P.A.C.C.I.O.W.I.O.

And in morse code that's:

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What stays with me most from today is that

Children are Engines of Change.

Women are the Keepers of The Tipi

And

YOU are the Hosts of Knowledge

So, bearing Chatham House Rules in mind I'd like to quote from two fantastic songwriters without mentioning their names:

Call out the Instigators

Because there's something in the air

We've got to get together sooner or later

Because the Revolution's here

Don't you know you better run, run, run, run, run, run,
run, run, run, run, run, run...

Finally the tables are starting to turn

Talking 'bout a Revolution

Yeah

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