

Topic: Peace

Phase: UKS2

Strand: Exploring

What should I already know? I can...

- Recognise some simple symbols that represent peace.
- Talk about what peace is and give some examples of what peace is / can be, reflecting on my knowledge of history as well as RE.
- Reflect upon what peace means to me, and how I can find peace in my own life.

At the end of the unit I will be able to:

- Identify a range of peace symbols, and can talk about which one is most expressive to me.
- Talk about the role of peace in the teachings of Christianity.
- Use my knowledge to compare and contrast my understanding of peace with those of other faiths.
- Explain why peace is important to a Christian, and can talk about how this is demonstrated in everyday Christian life.
- Compare and contrast what different religions say about Peace.
- Use my knowledge of religious and non-religious symbolism to design a memorial to Peace,
- Reflect upon the words of Sadako Sasaki and talk about how they make me feel.
- Express my own thoughts regarding peace and can reflect on how this might affect others.

Important things to know...

This half term we will be investigating the idea of peace, and what it means to people of all faiths and none. In particular, we will be focussing on the importance of peace within the messages of faith shared by Christianity, Hinduism, Islam and Judaism. We will also be looking inwards at ourselves: exploring what peace means to us personally and the different ways we each find peace within our everyday lives.

At the end of the term, our focus will lead us to study the story of Sadako Sasaki – a Japanese girl who lived through the Hiroshima bombing in 1945 – and her legacy of promoting peace throughout the world despite her life-limiting illness having being caused by an act of war. We will be exploring her story and trying to identify relevant messages for us today.



Vocabulary

Peace	(a period of) freedom from war or violence, esp. when people live and work together without violent disagreement OR a state of tranquility or quiet:
Shalom	used as greeting by Jewish people at meeting or parting, meaning 'peace'
Ahimsa	respect for all living things and avoidance of violence towards others.
Hiroshima	A Japanese city on which the United States dropped the first atomic bomb (see also atomic bomb) used in warfare, on August 6, 1945.
Peacemaker	a person who brings about peace, especially by reconciling adversaries.