Autumn Term – War and Peace

Key Skills

Pupils will have the opportunity to develop the following skills:

- Ask thoughtful, insightful questions in response to the learning
- Confidently research, gather, select and organise information, using a range of sources
- Use a wide range of key religious vocabulary correctly and in context written and orally
- Confidently express opinion and contribute by responding and adding to the views of others
- Show empathy in response to the learning
- Begin to debate key issues
- Begin to formulate arguments against key issues which I might feel strongly about
- Comment respectfully on two opposite viewpoints, drawing out a reasoned conclusion
- Analyse and evaluate a variety of religious arguments and use them for and against a particular viewpoint

Subject Knowledge

In this topic, pupils will explore the controversial issues of war and peace. This unit is planned to coincide with International Day of Peace and Remembrance Sunday.

Topics will include:

- Causes of war
- Just War Theory
- Religious teachings about war.

Pupils will then take part in work to commemorate the Holocaust. This will differ on a yearly basis to reflect the theme of the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust.

Spring Term - Hinduism

Pupils will have the opportunity to develop the following skills:

- Explain in detail why they learn about different religions and cultures.
- Ask thoughtful, insightful questions in response to the learning.
- Use a wide range of key religious vocabulary correctly and in context in written work.
- Describe in detail key features of a belief.
- Confidently express opinion and contribute by responding and adding to the views of others.
- Understand and explain the impact a belief or practice can have on followers and/or communities.
- Show empathy in response to the learning.
- Express clear views about why beliefs and practices are so important.
- Reflect and make links to own experiences and beliefs.

Subject Knowledge

In this term, pupils will explore the religion of Hinduism. Topics will include:

- Beliefs about God and the Trimurti
- Festivals
- Worship
- Beliefs about karma, dharma, reincarnation
- Family life and arranged marriage.

Their learning will be enhanced by a visit from a Hindu Priest. Pupils will be able to see her shrine, how she worships and ask questions.

Summer Term – Does God Exist?

Key Skills

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Subject Knowledge

This final unit will allow pupils to explore the controversial issue of the existence of a God. Topics will include:

- Arguments for the existence of God including the Design Argument and Paley's watch theory.
- · Causes of suffering
- Living without God

Learning will be enhanced by two visits – the vicar from Trinity Church will talk about his faith in God and the Humanist society will also visit school to talk about their views.

Belief/believe War Peace Conflict Just War Theory Justified Hindu/Hinduism Trimurti Deity/Avatar Reincarnation/Samsara/Moksha Karma/Dharma Atheist Theist Agnostic Design Argument Humanist/Humanism

Key Vocabulary