## Values Education



If we are to create peace in our world, we must begin with the thoughts and the needs of our children...

Peace on earth and goodwill to all at this special time of year...

## December's focus is 'Peace'

This month the children have been considering what peace can be:

The absence of war or other hostilities (conflict/fighting).

An agreement to end hostilities (conflict/fighting).

Public security and order: was arrested for disturbing the peace.

We have focussed on:

Freedom from quarrels and disagreement; pleasant relations

(friendships): classmates living in peace with each other.

Inner happiness; calmness: peace of mind.

## Some children's views:

Peace begins with saying sorry
Peace comes from believing in God
Peace is playing nicely
Peace is caring for others
Peace is being with your family
'Imagine all the people, living life in peace' (after JL)



The word 'Peace' appears many times in the Bible and every week we share the peace at church services and pray for peace. It is not easy to come to terms with a world where there are so many wars and so much unhappiness; yet we know that the peace of God is with us. The effort has to come from us as individuals – peace is not found by winning a battle but by holding out our hands to someone we disagree with and showing that we value them as human beings.



How you feel when you are peaceful?

The sorts of things that make you feel peaceful?

How important is peace in your life?

Do you have a special place where you feel peaceful?





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