

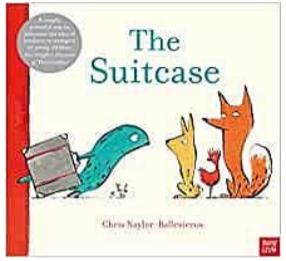


Sanctuary Seekers Curriculum

As a school, we recognise that we all have a part to play in building a welcoming and inclusive environment. It is our aim to educate the children at Kingsland about what it means to be seeking sanctuary, issues surrounding people who are seeking sanctuary and how to support those who are seeking sanctuary within the school. Our Sanctuary Seekers Curriculum is broken down into three main areas.

- Early Years- Diversity and welcoming people seeking sanctuary
- Key Stage 1/2 (classes 2 and 3)- Human rights and freedom
- Key Stage 2 (classes 4 & 5)- Exploring difficult journeys

We have chosen to deliver our Sanctuary Seekers curriculum through books to support our pupils to understand abstract ideas and to ensure that complex issues are accessible to all of our children. This will be done during Refugee Week annually.

"It is through literature, not simply literacy, that we learn to understand and empathise...Through literature, we can find our place in the world, feel we belong and discover our sense of responsibility." Michael Morpurgo

| Early Years Focus- Diversity and welcoming others seeking sanctuary | | | | | | |
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| | Book | Synopsis | Character Development | Activities | Vocabulary | Further links |
| Class 1 |  | A strange creature arrives pulling a big suitcase and the other animals are curious to find out what is inside. | Acceptance Welcoming Kindness | Children to explore home and what it would mean to them if they had to leave. | Home Refugees Kindness Welcoming | Refugee Week Friendship RSE |
| Key Stage 1/2 Focus- Exploring difficult journeys made by people seeking sanctuary | | | | | | |
| | Book | Synopsis | Character Development | Activities | Vocabulary | Further links |
| Class 2 |  | Wishes tells the honest story about one Vietnamese family's search for a new home on the other side of the world, and the long-lasting impact that makes on the littlest member of the family. | Gratitude Perseverance Compassion | Children write or create a welcome poster to refugees arriving at our school or in Herefordshire. Dispel negative myths around Sanctuary Seekers | Displacement Refugee Migrant Refugee Camp | RSE,P4C, Refugee Week, |
| Class 3 |  | My Name is Not Refugee explains the refugee crisis in a touching and accessible way. Readers are taken a long the little boy's journey from his hometown and country to a new, safe place. | Empathy Difference Bravery | Ask the children what they would take if they had to leave their homes quickly, with little warning and could only take what they could fit in this backpack. What would they take? What would they have to leave behind? How would they feel? | | |
| Key Stage 2 Focus- Human rights to safety and freedom | | | | | | |
| | Book | Synopsis | Character Development | Activities | Vocabulary | Further links |
| Class 4 |  | The story centres around Idris, a young boy living in a refugee camp – surrounded by cold strangers and barbed wire fences. The bleak and lonely world in which Idris lives is conveyed so powerfully but in a very relatable, child-friendly manner. | Hope Empathy | Create a poster to explore the issues suggested in this book; write a slogan and illustrate it graphically. | Refugee Refugee camp Hope Safety | Refugee Week Geographical links RSE P4C |
| Class 5 |  | A book introducing the importance of human rights, freedom, and the history of these concepts. | Equality Diversity Human Rights | Use the idea of a magic carpet ride to transport children to different places – ask them to close their eyes and imagine the journey. Show them on the globe where they have come from and where you have landed. | Freedom Human Rights Dreams Safety Refugees Migrants Displacement | UNICEF Right and Responsibilities Geographical links RSE P4C |