



Kingsland CE Primary School

Interfaith Learning

15th and 16th January 2018



Life at Kingsland CE Primary School: life in all its fullness (John 10:10)

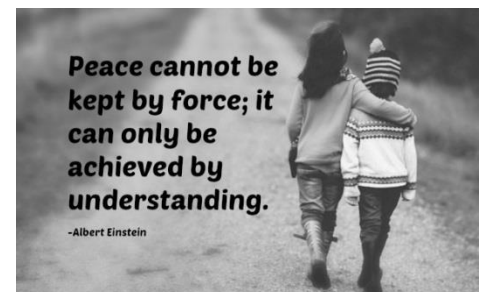
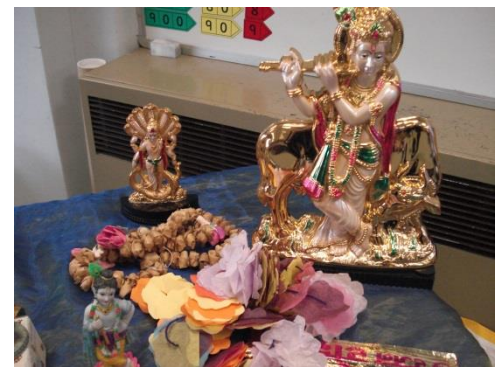
What a fabulous two days of Interfaith Learning we have had! The children have engaged with the challenges of making sense of how people of different faiths can live shoulder to shoulder with each other in harmony and peace, and with shared values of respect, love and hope. Living in rural Herefordshire, we believe it is critical for our children to have the opportunity to open their eyes to a bigger world, and to have a deep understanding of different people's beliefs and faiths in order to be well-rounded global citizens. The children were introduced to the key beliefs of Christianity, Sikhism, Islam, Hinduism and Buddhism, allowing them opportunities to reflect on their own beliefs and to develop understanding and empathy of the beliefs of other people.



On Monday, we welcomed five guests to school, each representing a different world faith. Each class had the opportunity to spend time with each guest, learning about the key principles and beliefs that are important to each faith. The children were able to investigate artefacts which are important to each faith, as well as being able to ask questions to our guests in order to help them reflect personally. We are immensely grateful to Mrs Karpat, Mr Singh, Venerable Choesang, Mr Mamak, Mr Burgis and Rev Julie for their enthusiasm, expertise and time in helping us develop our understanding, appreciation and respect of others.



On Tuesday, the children worked in mixed age groups in order to reflect on their learning in a range of creative ways. Some children did art, some did music, some did pottery and some did dance. As well as being an opportunity to work with children who perhaps they hadn't worked with before, they were able to express and articulate their learning, and reflect on their experiences of the day before.



Peace cannot be kept by force; it can only be achieved by understanding.

-Albert Einstein

School Prayer

We also now have a school prayer, written and created by the children. The children have called it "Our Learn to Love Prayer". The intention is to embed it into school life and eventually for the children to memorise it off by heart. Please encourage your child to read and learn it ...



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Our Learn to Love Prayer

Our Loving Lord,

Thank You for the unique spirit of our school family,

For all those who inspire us to be our best,

And for filling our school with joy, hope, trust and love.

Help us to speak the truth always,

To encourage one another with compassion and respect,

And to care for Your wonderful world.

Lord, guide us humbly in Your footsteps and be with us always,

Amen