

Autumn 1

Christian value: Peace



Learning behaviour link:	 Creativity	Codnor stars:	 Aspire
Theme and ideas	Our Christian Value for this half term is Peace. Christians believe that God sent Jesus, The Prince of Peace, to give us Peace and harmony and for us to share Peace with one another. The Hebrew term for peace, 'shalom', has a deep and complex meaning, encompassing much more than simply the absence of hostility or war. Shalom includes ideas of healing and health, wholeness and well-being. It means harmony, stability and security within a community. It refers to relationships based on truth and righteousness, where people flourish because they are nurtured. We will be looking at the need for peace and quiet, the need for inner peace, conflict and resolution and the qualities of a peacemaker.		
Questions to think about:	• What are the symbols of peace? • Why is peace so important? • How can I help build a world of peace? • Whose responsibility is peace?		
Bible Verses	• Philippians 4:7 (NIV): "And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." • Matthew 5:9 (NIV): "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God." • Isaiah 26:3 (NIV): "You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you." • Colossians 3:15 (NIV): "Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful." • John 14:27 (NIV): "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid."		

Bible Stories	• Noah's Ark (Genesis 6-9): Share the story of how Noah built the ark and gathered animals to save them from the flood. Emphasize how peace was restored after the rain stopped and the dove brought an olive branch. • David and Goliath (1 Samuel 17): Focus on how David's courage and trust in God brought peace to his people by defeating the giant Goliath and stopping the threat. • Jonah and the Whale (Jonah 1-4): Teach about Jonah's journey to Nineveh and how his message of repentance led to the city's peace and salvation. • The Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37): Share the parable of the Good Samaritan to illustrate the importance of helping and showing kindness to those in need, promoting a peaceful and caring community. • The Prince of Peace (Isaiah 9:6): Discuss the prophecy of Jesus as the Prince of Peace, emphasizing his teachings about love, forgiveness, and reconciliation. • Jesus Calms the Storm (Mark 4:35-41): Describe how Jesus calmed a storm on the sea, showing his power to bring peace even in challenging situations. • The Beatitudes (Matthew 5:3-12): Explain the Beatitudes, highlighting the blessedness of peacemakers and those who seek righteousness. • The Last Supper (Matthew 26:17-30): Talk about Jesus sharing the Last Supper with his disciples and encouraging them to remember him by promoting love and unity. • The Prodigal Son (Luke 15:11-32): Discuss how the father forgave and welcomed his wayward son back home, promoting the idea of forgiveness and reconciliation within families. • Joseph and His Brothers (Genesis 37-50): Share the story of Joseph's forgiveness towards his brothers, even after they treated him poorly, to teach the importance of reconciliation and peace among family members.	
Our place in the World and enrichment focuses	• 15th September – Rosh Hashanah • 21st September – International day of peace • 1st October – Black History Month • 6th October – National poetry day • 10th October – World mental health day	
Weekly class assemblies/ collective worship focuses	Week	Focus
	Tues 5 th September	Headteacher Assembly: welcome back to school & introduction to the key themes
	Weds 6 th September	Visitor assembly
	Thurs 7 th September	Classroom collective worship: discuss the key themes for Autumn Term 1.
	Friday 9 th September	Headteacher Assembly: Introduction to the theme of peace. Show children a selection of images to do with peace [e.g. a dove, a rainbow, a peace symbol, an olive branch.] Ask children what these images represent and come to the theme of peace. Show children some examples of people who are related to peace [e.g. Martin Luther King, Jesus, Mr Blake!] and ask children how we could link these people to our theme.
	Monday 11 th September	Teacher assembly: Bible Story: Noah's Ark. Tell the story of Noah's Ark, making explicit links to the Christian Value of Peace.

	Tuesday 12 th September	Headteacher Assembly: Bible Story: David and Goliath Focus on how David's courage and trust in God brought peace to his people by defeating the giant Goliath and stopping the threat. End on the Lord's Prayer
	Wednesday 13 th September	Visitor assembly
	Thursday 14 th September	Classroom collective worship: David and Goliath. Can anybody think of any real life situations which is a little bit like David and Goliath? [children might think of football matches etc...]
	Friday 15 th September	Headteacher Assembly: Learning behaviour - creativity
	Monday 18 th September	Teacher assembly: Bible Story: Jonah and the Whale. Teach about Jonah's journey to Nineveh and how his message of repentance led to the city's peace and salvation.
	Tuesday 19 th September	Headteacher Assembly: Bible Story: The Prince of Peace (Isaiah 9:6): Discuss the prophecy of Jesus as the Prince of Peace, emphasizing his teachings about love, forgiveness, and reconciliation End on the Lord's Prayer
	Wednesday 20 th September	Visitor assembly
	Thursday 21 st September	Classroom collective worship: Wider World: International day of peace
	Friday 22 nd September	Headteacher Assembly: Learning behaviour - creativity
	Monday 25 th September	Teacher assembly: Bible Story The Good Samaritan: Teach about Jonah's journey to Nineveh and how his message of repentance led to the city's peace and salvation.
	Tuesday 26 th September	Headteacher Assembly: Bible Story Jesus Calms the Storm (Mark 4:35-41): Describe how Jesus calmed a storm on the sea, showing his power to bring peace even in challenging situations. End on the Lord's Prayer
	Wednesday 27 th September	Visitor assembly
	Thursday 28 th September	Classroom collective worship: Bible Story Paul's Shipwreck (Acts 27:13-44): God protects Paul and his companions during a shipwreck, demonstrating his ability to bring peace and safety in times of trouble.
	Friday 29 th September	Headteacher Assembly: Learning behaviour - creativity *Introduce National Poetry day assembly: ask pupils to use their superhero creativity to create a poem ready for next Friday's assembly. Link with aspiration*
	Monday 2 nd October	Teacher assembly: Wider World: Black History Month: Mary Seacole
	Tuesday 3 rd October	Headteacher Assembly: Bible Story The Prodigal Son (Luke 15:11-32): Discuss how the father forgave and welcomed his wayward son back home, promoting the idea of forgiveness and reconciliation within families. End on the Lord's Prayer

	Wednesday 4 th October	Visitor assembly
	Thursday 5 th October	Classroom collective worship: Learning behaviour – creativity – remind pupils of the National Poetry Day assembly. Perhaps give children some time to write their poems. Or, write a whole class poem.
	Friday 6 th October	Headteacher Assembly: Learning behaviour – creativity. National Poetry Day. Link to our superhero theme of 'creativity'. Have children read examples of poems they have created. <i>*Need to introduce this activity the previous week*</i>
	Monday 9 th October	Teacher assembly: Wider World: Black History Month: Rosa Parks
	Tuesday 10 th October	Headteacher Assembly: Wider World: World mental health day assembly focus.
	Wednesday 11 th October	Visitor assembly End on the Lord's Prayer
	Thursday 12 th October	Classroom collective worship: Wider World: Black History Month: Barack Obama
	Friday 13 th October	Headteacher Assembly: Codnor Star - Aspiration
	Monday 16 th October	Teacher assembly: Bible Story Joseph and His Brothers (Genesis 37-50): Share the story of Joseph's forgiveness towards his brothers, even after they treated him poorly, to teach the importance of reconciliation and peace among family members
	Tuesday 17 th October	Headteacher Assembly: Bible Story Daniel in the Lions' Den (Daniel 6): Daniel's faith leads to his safety in the lions' den, teaching us that trust in God can bring us peace even when facing challenges. End on the Lord's Prayer
	Wednesday 18 th October	Visitor assembly
	Thursday 19 th October	Classroom collective worship: Wider World: Black History Month: Marcus Rashford
	Friday 20 th October	Headteacher Assembly: Codnor Star - Aspiration
	Monday 23 rd October	Teacher assembly: Bible Story Peter's Escape from Prison (Acts 12:1-19): An angel helps Peter escape from prison, showing how God can bring peace even in challenging circumstances. End on the Lord's Prayer
	Tuesday 24 th October	Headteacher Assembly: Harvest festival practice
	Wednesday 25 th October	Visitor assembly
	Thursday 26 th October	Classroom collective worship: Wider World: Black History Month: Nelson Mandela
	Friday 27 th October	Headteacher Assembly: summarising the termly values