

Bishop Bronescombe C of E Primary School

RE UNIT: How and why do people try to make the world a better place?

Year 3/4



By the end of the unit, you should be able to:

Make sense of belief:

- Identify some beliefs about why the world is not always a good place (e.g. Christian ideas of sin).
- Make links between religious beliefs and teachings and why people try to live and make the world a better place.

Understand the impact:

- Make simple links between teachings about how to live and ways in which people try to make the world a better place (e.g. tikkun olam and the charity Tzedek)
- Describe some examples of how people try to live (e.g. individuals and organisations)
- Identify some differences in how people put their beliefs into action

Make connections:

- Raise questions and suggest answers about why the world is not always a good place, and what are the best ways of making it better
- Make links between some commands for living from religious traditions, non religious worldviews and pupils' own ideas
- Express their own ideas about the best ways to make the world a better place, making links with religious ideas studied, giving good reasons for their views.

Prior learning:

This unit fits in well at the end of Y3 or Y4, allowing pupils to consolidate their learning about individual religions through the previous terms' units. Children are able to make links with what pupils have studied earlier in the year. They will get the opportunity to compare ways in which Christians, Jews, Muslims and non-religious people make a difference, and also making connections with their own experiences.



Tu B'shevat

The Jewish festival of trees. With a purpose of mending the world. It is an opportune time to celebrate how eating and enjoying the fruits of trees can be a bridge to God, and how it can bring back the blessing to the earth.



Tikkun Olam

A Jewish concept defined by acts of kindness performed to perfect or repair

Key Vocabulary	Definition
Tzedek	A Jewish charity that helps to repair the world
Inspiring	Give someone positive and creative feelings.
Generosity	the quality of being kind and generous
Humanist	A non-religious person
Charities	An organisation that helps others in need.

The Golden Rule:



Zakah

The third pillar of Islam is Zakah is the practice where a Muslim gives 2.5 per cent of their wealth over a certain amount to charity,