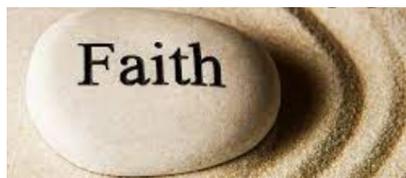




This Religious Education unit follows on from previous studies of different faiths and their holy books and places of worship covered in KS1. This unit will deepen the children's understanding of what faith means both for themselves and for others. The children will learn some Christian faith stories and examine what it means to have your faith tested in times of difficulty. The children will also have an opportunity to share their own beliefs and faith and identify what is important to them.

Key knowledge and understanding

- Explore what faith means both in religious and non religious terms.
- Understand that faith in God or Gods is very important for some people.
- Discuss some big philosophical question such as: What is faith? Are faith and hope the same thing? How does faith affect people's lives? What might cause people to question their faith? Is faith a good thing?
- Examine religious and philosophical quotes about faith.
- Be able to retell the stories Daniel and the Lion and David and Goliath from the old testament in the bible.
- Discuss and explore the key messages of faith, hope and perseverance in Christian stories.
- Understand how having faith helped key figures such as Martin Luther King in their quest for a better world.
- Investigate how different aid charities put their faith in action to supports people around the world.
- Reflect on issues we are passionate about or are important to us.



Links with other religions

From a non religious perspective faith may be defined as the complete trust and confidence in someone or something.

From a religious perspective faith may be defined as a specific system of belief and worship that can be practiced in different ways for example through prayer, song, helping others, reading holy books, visiting places of worship, following dietary laws and wearing specific symbols or clothing.

There are lots of similarities in the ways that different religions express and deepen their faith.

Key vocabulary

Faith—trust or confidence, a belief in religion or God, or a strongly held belief

Perseverance—continued effort to do or achieve something despite difficulties, failure, or opposition

Prophet—a religious teacher

Civil rights—giving all people the right to vote, work, equal treatment and freedom from slavery

Pledge—a solemn promise or undertaking

Faith in action—helping those who are in need

Personal reflection

When might you need to show faith in someone?

Who or what do you have faith in?

How does faith impact your life?

Is having faith important?

Who has faith in you?

Who or what supports you in times of difficulty?

What are your hopes and dreams?

