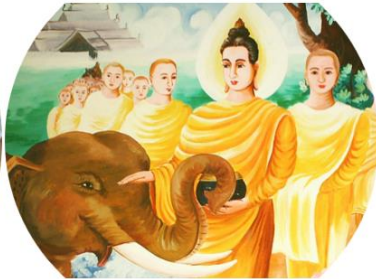


Y3/4 RE: Buddha's Teachings



Kisa visiting the Buddha



The Buddha calming the angry elephant

Why are we learning about Buddha's Teachings?



We are **building on all our previous learning** about other world religions to help us with our understanding of Buddhism. We are also building on our learning about the Life of Buddha during term 1.

This new learning is important because it offers us the opportunity to consider a widely followed faith that is not based upon the relationship between humanity and God but is rather focused on an understanding of human suffering and how to prevent it. It is also important for us to explore what Buddha taught about change and consider whether his teachings can make the world a better place.

This will help us get ready for future learning about Buddhists' beliefs in practice. It also prepares us for learning about other faiths in Y5/6.

Important questions to answer:



- Why can the world seem a wonderful place to some and not to others?
- How did Kisa accept that death is an inevitable part of life?
- Why was Devadatta's plan to harm the Buddha unsuccessful?
- How do the Buddha's teachings make the world a better place?
- How can **we** help to stop the world from crying?

Experiences we will have:



- Drama to explore stories which illustrate the Buddha's teachings
- Visual displays to show how we can all help to stop the world from crying

Things we need to know:



- To know that due to their experiences of the world, different people see the world in different ways
- To know that Kisa learned that all people around her had experienced death
- To know that the Buddha sent out his loving kindness towards the wild elephant that Davadatta had released to harm his cousin
- To know that the Buddha's Eightfold path shows 8 ways in which followers can live a good life and move towards enlightenment
- To know how we can take responsibility of our actions to make the world a better place

Skills we need to learn:



- I can analyse why people may not see the world as wonderful
- I can recall the story of Kisa and the Mustard Seed
- I can compare the actions of Davadatta and the Buddha's
- I can explain the areas of the Eightfold path
- I can illustrate my ideas for making the world a better place

Subject Specific Vocabulary:



perspective	Right Action	Kisa
Eightfold Path	Right Work	Davadatta
Right understanding	Right Effort	acceptance
Right Thoughts/Intent	Right Mindfulness	compassion
Right Speech	Right Concentration	selfishness