



Our work this half term will focus on all areas linked to our topic – faith! This topic will introduce the children to Buddhists' main teaching and beliefs, such as The Four Noble Truths and The Noble Eightfold Path. We will discuss a range of emotions we might have and what to do with them and also explore ways to relax. We will discuss questions such as, 'How can we make our community a more respectful place?' and 'What do Buddhists teach about the natural world and why should we care about it?' There are many areas that link to this topic: writing a narrative about the Story of the First Buddha; producing an explanation text about how to complete a mindfulness drawing; exploring the importance of Mandalas and creating their own; and learning about Buddhists' main beliefs.

We will be using a variety of books to help us build on our knowledge of Buddhism including: What is Buddhism, Prince Siddhartha: The Story of the First Buddha, Three questions, Anh's Anger, Story of Angulmala, and A Handful of Quiet. If you have any books or items that you think link well with the topic please, bring them in for us to share. Names on belongings, please! Thank you.

Our homework task this term involves an informative project based on Buddhism. Feel free to pick an area that interests you for your research and helps create an interesting and detailed piece of homework. Here are ideas you could base your project on: create a Powerpoint about Buddhists' main teachings; write a diary entry about the First Buddha on his path to enlightenment; create a leaflet about Buddhism Wesak festival; create a mindfulness drawing or a paper plate Mandala.

Homework is due in the first week back after half term which is **4thth June**. I am looking forward to your child presenting their project. I have been very impressed so far!

Many thanks,

Miss Carter and the Year 3C team.