

Year 3 Spring 1 Fact File

LAS: Forgiveness – Why do religious people think forgiveness is important?

What should we know?

Forgiveness is a core value in many religions/belief systems including Christianity, Hinduism and Buddhism.

The story of the Lost Son is a key Christian story about forgiveness.

The Hindu festival of Diwali shows how Hindus dispel darkness from their hearts, embrace knowledge and goodness.

The Jewish festival of Yom Kippur is the most important day of the year for Jewish people. It is known as the day of atonement.



What should we be able to do:

Explain what forgiveness is and why it is important to religious people.

Explain religious festivals, practices and stories that focus on saying sorry and asking for forgiveness e.g. Diwali and Yom Kippur.

Explain Buddhist beliefs about forgiveness.

Design a universal symbol for forgiveness.