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Islam Week 2023

Reception

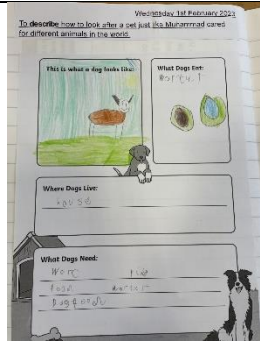
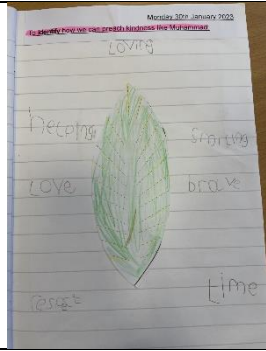


EYFS started the week looking at Islam. We thought and talked about all the things that are precious to us and how we keep them safe. We went on to identify some differences between a Mosque and a Church. They found out that in a Mosque people take their shoes off and sit/kneel down on the floor which is different to when we visit the Church at SSMJ. The children listened to a Minaret and were surprised by the noise it made. We talked about how we say our prayers and how this is different to people who use prayer mats. EYFS then went on to create a picture of a prayer mat creating some lovely designs full of different shapes and colours. EYFS then went on to create some fantastic pieces of writing showing all the information they had gathered about the Islamic faith.

YEAR ONE

Year One have had a fantastic week learning about Islam. We talked about what it means to be a Muslim and how special the Qur'an is. Year One enjoyed learning about Prophet Muhammad and how he showed different acts of kindness. We identified all of the different values that describe Muhammad such as brave, respect, manners, love and help. We found out that Muhammad preached kindness to different





animals such as cats and camels. We then designed and made a guide about how to look after a pet. Year One learned a fun fact about Prophet Muhammad, before he became a prophet he was a camel driver!

YEAR 2



Year 2 have been learning about how Muslim's pray. We learnt that Salah (prayer) is one of the five pillars of Islam. We had lots of questions so we invited Mrs Hussain into our class to answer them. She kindly brought in lots of things to look at including some prayer beads, a prayer mat, a Topi, a hijab and some special clothes that men and women wear to pray. Mrs Hussain provided us with the answers to all our questions and inspired us to ask even more. We discovered that there are lots of similarities between Islam and Christianity. We made a class display to share our learning.

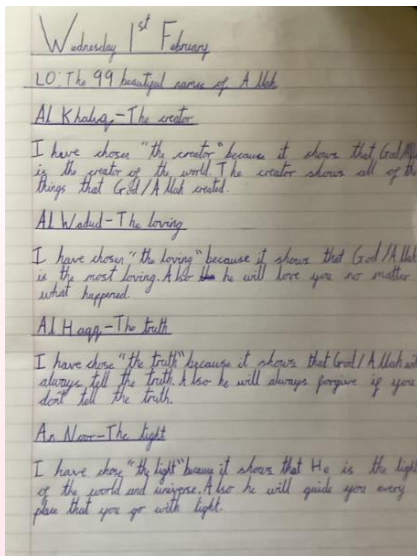
YEAR THREE



Year 3 have been studying the mosque, both inside and out. We have been learning about the key features and what you would find. We are amazed to discover that the dome represents the arch between heaven and earth. We even tried to make our own models out of boxes and tubes! We studied some Arabic writing, it was tricky to understand! Finally, we had to imagine we were a child returning from visiting the mosque completing a diary entry!



Year 4



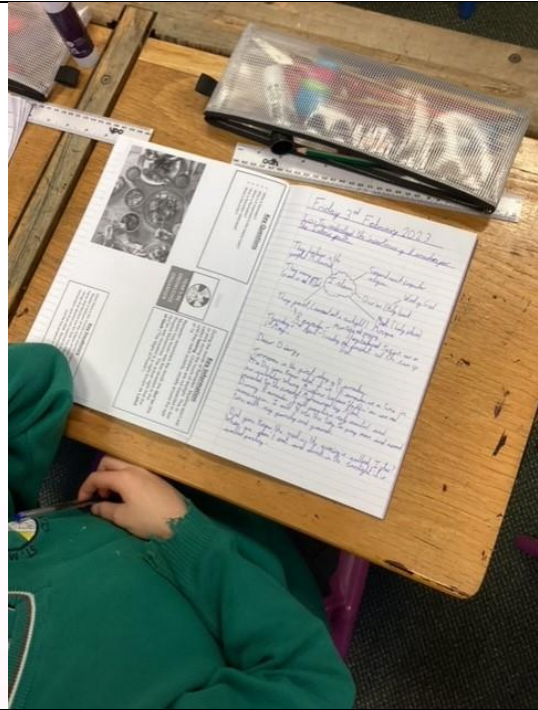
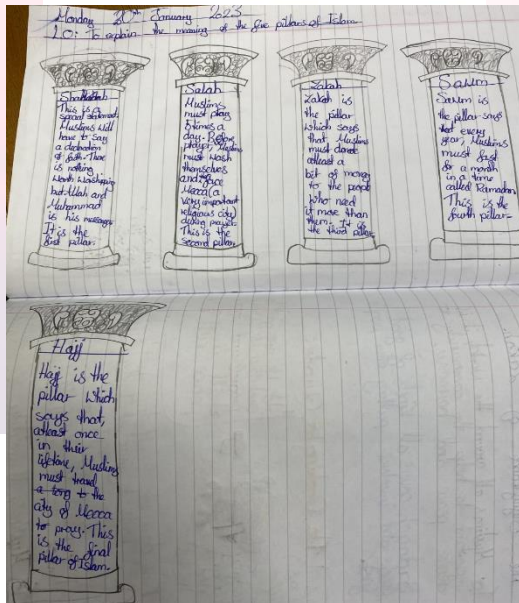
Year 4 have been learning all about 'Holy Books' in our Islam Faith Week. We have learnt how important the Qur'an is to Muslims and how carefully they hold it. We learnt that Muslims read the book from right to left and they learn the important messages off by heart. We learnt that Allah is God and is also known by 99 other beautiful names. The children were inspired by the words of the Qur'an and wrote their own messages. They also used parts of the first passage in the Qur'an to link it into our everyday lives.



Year 5

In Year 5 we focusing on Ramadan and the celebration of Eid. We started our lesson discussing as a class what we know already about Islam. We found out that Islam is the second most popular religion in the world. Once we looked at Ramadan we understood it is a time where Muslims spend with family and friends focusing on self-discipline and compassion for the poor.

Year 6



Year 6 have been learning about the five pillars of Islam. Firstly, they completed a general overview of them before zooming in on Zakat. We learnt about how Muslims give 2.5% of their annual salary to charity and had a discussion as to whether this was fair. We have really enjoyed learning about Islam and it has allowed our creative juices to flow.

