

THEALE GREEN SCHOOL TRANSITION ETHICS AND PHILOSOPHY ACTIVITY

A Big Welcome to TGS from the Ethics and Philosophy department

Some of you may have studied Religious Education or Religious Studies at primary school. In Ethics and Philosophy, as well as looking at different religions, we will be exploring a range of 'Big questions' linking to the world around us and different cultures and belief. We will be exploring ethical issues such as war, racism and poverty as well as asking philosophical questions such as 'is there life after death?', 'how was the world created' and 'does God exist?'



E&P Challenge

Imagine that you have been given a grant to buy and develop an uninhabited desert island. You have enough money to develop businesses, tourism, trade, agriculture etc and people are flocking to your island in the hope of finding work. Quickly as the island becomes more developed, the population grows. Tourists are coming and going and it seems everything is going according to plan!

1. Draw a plan of the island you have developed and label the main buildings you would find in the settlement.
2. Pretty soon it becomes clear that you are going to need rules, or laws, to make sure that everyone has the same rights and that their rights are protected.
 - a) Why do you think we need to have laws?
 - b) What laws would you have on your island? Make a list of 10 laws
3. Consider how you would respond to these problems:

Problem 1: Members of your Island Community are treating people in an unfair way and are going against the rule you have set up. What do you do?

Problem 2: There are people from lots of different religious faiths on your island and they all think that their religion is the 'true' religion. This is causing some conflict. What do you do?

Feel free to email us pictures of your islands to transition@thealegreen.w-berks.sch.uk . If you are happy for them to be shared on social media, please let us know. We would really like to show the rest of the year group what you are all achieving. We will also reward house points for all work shared with us – start collecting them now!

