

Look at These Pictures



International Day of Peace 2023



Our Morning Prayer

Oh my God, I give to you,

All that I think or say or do,

All my work and all my play,

I will give to God today.

Amen

What Is Peace?

Think quietly for a moment, what does the word 'peace' mean to you?



If you are happy to,
share your ideas.



What Is Peace?

Peace is...

being kind to people

caring about people

forgiving someone

accepting people
who are different
from ourselves

protecting living things,
such as animals and
other people





Peace Is...

One definition of peace is: freedom from disturbance; a time of tranquillity when you are not disturbed by anyone or anything.



Peace is also a state or period in which there is no war or a war has ended.

The United Nations

One organisation that strives for international peace is the United Nations. The United Nations was formed in 1945 after the Second World War ended.

In doing this, they agreed to help promote peace, fairness and equality and hoped for improved quality of living for people around the world.

In 1945, representatives from 51 countries met in San Francisco, USA. The representatives signed an important document with four very important agreements within it.



The UN Agreements

The representatives from the 51 countries were promising the following:

To maintain international peace and security.

To develop friendly relations among nations based on respect for equal rights.

To achieve international co-operation in solving global challenges. These include inequality, hunger, disease and barriers to education as well as encouraging respect for the human rights of others.

To be a centre for harmonizing the actions of nations in the attainment of these goals.

They were all agreeing to seek and maintain peace around the world.

The International Day of Peace

This special day was agreed upon in 1981 by the United Nations General Assembly with the first official International Day of Peace happening on the 21st of September 1982.

The purpose of the International Day of Peace is to:

‘Provide a globally-shared date for all humanity to commit to peace above all differences and to contribute to building a culture of peace.’



International Day of Peace

The theme of the International Day of Peace 2023 is:

Actions for Peace: Our Ambition for the #GlobalGoals

On 21st September, the UN calls for us to take action for peace around the globe. We must fight unfairness, protect human rights and act on climate change.



Actions for Peace

There never
was a good war,
or a bad peace.



**What do you think
this means?**

War and conflict result in destruction, poverty and hunger. Because of war, many millions of people have had to leave their homes. Take a moment to think about what this means.

Actions for Peace

Prayer Journal:

Think about something you can do today to show kindness and respect to people around you and promote equality and fairness.

draw a picture
of what peace
means to you



