



The Ladywood Interfaith Education Project (LIEP) is based in inner-city Birmingham. Initiated by St John & St Peter's Parish Church, it is a partnership between four local places of faith since 1999, which creates creative educational encounters for classes of school children.

#### Aims:

- Nurture understanding and celebration of different faiths and beliefs among school children.
- Building on the partnerships of the communities of the four sacred spaces.
- Create opportunities for children to explore something of their personal spirituality.
- Enhance Religious Education syllabus of the schools involved.

Each faith is explored in its own sacred building by volunteer professional teachers and volunteer professional artists of that faith. Teaching and workshops include story, drama, art, music, and appreciation of sacred space. Classes visit one or two of the sacred places on a visit, exploring themes chosen by their schools in accordance with their RE Syllabus.

The LIEP is currently visited by 13 Primary, 1 Secondary school and 3 special needs Schools. We have a long relationship with many of our schools and see the children grow throughout their school careers. This has a positive

impact on their knowledge as we build on what they have experienced in previous visits as new themes are introduced.



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## Themes/Topics (selection)

Being Just & Fair, Creation, Prayer,  
Belief & Practice in Islam, How do Jewish  
people express their beliefs,  
Why is Mohammed important to Muslims

## Visits

A full day 10 – 2.30  
Half day 10 – 12 or full day at  
two venues

## Workshops

Wide range of creative experiences  
in art, crafts, pottery, printing,  
drama, dance and music.

## Our Methods

Schools select a topic from their own syllabus.  
A planned day moves from one activity to another.  
We engage with stories, aid discussion, demonstrate  
rituals whilst taking part in a full range of  
creative activities.

## Working together with our schools

LIEP works within Key Stage 1/2  
of the religious syllabus as well as  
Early Years/Special Needs

A Partnership between Buddhist, Christians, Jews & Muslims for  
Children's Religious Education



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