**Maisy:** Welcome to the first UNICEF assembly of the year held by St Giles’ Year 5 and 6 UNICEF ambassadors. We hope you have had a good start to the New Year and have been busy completing important work in your classrooms for your UNICEF class charters. I can’t wait to see them all in the hall soon.

**Leonard:** This week’s assembly is based on **The International Day of Peace** which is celebrated around the world every year on the 21st September. This is an important day as it allows everybody around the world including us to celebrate peace above everything else and build a peaceful world for us to live in.

**Albert:** This day is important for children like us as it links with lots of the UNICEF articles, such as Article 38 which says children must be protected from wars, and Article 39 which says children who are victims of war must get special help.

**Eboni:** However, it is important to remember that not all children across the world are currently living in peace, and some children such as those in Ukraine are not being effectively protected from wars and getting the special help they need. Therefore, other countries and people like us can help by spreading the word, being active leaders for change, helping those in need, being a friendly face for those who need support and instilling peace across the world. We have created posters to try and promote peace in our school, could you promote peace like this too?

**Kye:** During our UNICEF ambassador meeting we discussed what peace means across the world. We came up with our own definitions of peace and what they mean to us. My definition of peace is helping others to feel calm and happy, and feeling safe no matter where or who I am.

**Sienna:** My definition of peace is a stress-free state of security and feeling calm, without any fighting or war taking place. We should only have love for one another, and that is why we love to learn at St Giles.

**Preet:** My definition of peace is freedom from disruption and disturbance, feeling like I can be the person I want to be without feeling scared, and living in a safe world where we all value and respect each other no matter what.

**Sach:** My definition of peace is that everybody is calm around the world and we are all living in peace and harmony together. Everybody has freedom and we are all protected from any dangers that come our way.

**Preet:** As we come to the end of our assembly, we want you think about how it feels to be at peace with yourself and what you could do to bring more peace into not only your life, but lives across the world.

**Sienna:** At St Giles we will join in with International Peace Day by joining in with the Peace Wave where everybody across the world will have a minute of silence and peace at 12pm on the 21st September. This is a way for the world to reflect on the importance of peace across the earth, and what we can do to make the world a better place.

Thank you for listening, let us all create Peace Day every day!