

# Year 6

# Family and Community

**BIG QUESTION: How can I be a Gospel activist?**

**Task:** Go to the PAX Christi website to look at their resources <https://paxchristi.org.uk/peace-education/nuclear-weapons-ban/>

In 2017 122 countries in the United Nations adopted The Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons . 50 countries needed to sign and ratify the treaty for it to come into force. 50 countries have now ratified the treaty and so in 90 days time, the production and use of nuclear weapons will be banned under international law. Although not all countries have ratified the treaty, historically the banning of certain weapons has an influence over the behaviour and actions of other countries. On 22nd January 2021 the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons came into force.

International laws are rules and agreements between different countries that says what countries should and shouldn't do. <https://www.un.org/en/sections/what-we-do/uphold-international-law/> They apply in many countries at the same time, not just one, and are often about very important issues.

## Key Vocabulary

Nuclear Weapons

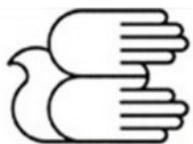
UN Treaty

Peace

Gospel Activist

Non-violence

Reconciliation



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What are nuclear weapons? Nuclear weapons are explosives (like bombs) and are very strong. They are called 'nuclear weapons' because of the way the explosion is created, made by very small particles but which create a lot of energy.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/44058739>

What do nuclear weapons have to do with peace? Pope Francis says that nuclear weapons are so dangerous and powerful, they makes the world less safe and friendly. For the world to be a peaceful place, everyone needs to feel safe and happy, not worried or scared about nuclear weapons.

A world without nuclear weapons is a step towards a more peaceful world.

**RE Task:** As a Gospel activist think about how else you could celebrate peace

**RE Task:** Think about how we offer the sign of peace to each other during Mass and share that sign of peace now in a way that is appropriate, perhaps by waving or the peace sign.



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**BIG QUESTION:** How can peace build the Kingdom of God?

## People Putting Peace Into Action - To build the Kingdom of God

**Peace** – based on justice. A world where human rights are respected, basic needs are met, people feel safe and valued in their communities and we care for our common home

**Reconciliation** – a process which begins when people try to mend relationships – between individuals or whole countries after times of violence or dispute

**Nonviolence** – a way of living and making choices that respects others and offers alternatives to violence and war

### Music Task

Write your own hymn, song or rap celebrating the work of Pax Christi



**Art Task:** Design a new logo for Pax Christi

### Creative Writing Task:

Write a story or a poem about the power of peace. How can peace change the world and build the Kingdom of God here on earth.

