

What's happening in the news this week?



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Let's have a look at this week's poster!

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@realDonaldTrump on X.

Learn more about this week's story [here](#).
Watch this week's useful video [here](#).
This week's Virtual Picture News [here](#).



@KamalaHarris on X.

How does it make me feel?



sad

despondent
disconsolate
dismal
doleful
downhearted
forlorn
gloomy
melancholic
miserable
woeful
wretched

angry

aggrieved
annoyed
discontented
disgruntled
distressed
exasperated
frustrated
indignant
offended
outraged
resentful
vexed

happy

beaming
buoyant
cheery
contented
delighted
enraptured
gleeful
glowing
joyful

confused

addled
baffled
bemused
bewildered
disorientated
indistinct
muddled
mystified
perplexed
puzzled

excited

animated
elevated
enlivened
enthusiastic
exhilarated
exuberant
thrilled

worried

agitated
anxious
apprehensive
concerned
disquieted
distraught
distressed
disturbed
fretful
perturbed
troubled
uneasy

overwhelmed

engulfed
inundated
overburdened
overloaded
saturated
submerged
swamped

afraid

alarmed
apprehensive
daunted
fearful
frantic
horrified
petrified
terrified

guilty

ashamed
compunctious
contrite
culpable
penitent
responsible
rueful

jealous

bitter
covetous
desirous
envious
envying
resentful
wary

thankful

appreciative
grateful
gratified
indebted
obliged
relieved

shocked

astonished
astounded
disconcerted
distressed
dumbfounded
horrified
staggered
startled
stunned
surprised

disgusted

affronted
appalled
horrified
repelled
repulsed
revolted
sickened

inspired

activated
encouraged
exhilarated
galvanised
influenced
motivated

embarrassed

ashamed
awkward
chagrined
demeaned
discomposd
humiliated
self-conscious
uncomfortable
uneasy
unsettled

interested

absorbed
captivated
curious
engaged
enthralled
fascinated
gripped
intrigued
riveted

This week's story looks at events related to ...

Washington D.C.

The White House, Washington D.C., is the home of the President of the United States of America.





Read the information found below, which explains more about the policies of the two candidates. Share how you feel about each of the different issues.

How do Kamala Harris and Donald Trump feel about some of the big issues?

Voters in the US will choose between Vice President Kamala Harris and Donald Trump to be their president on election day.



Immigration



Donald Trump has said he will close the border between the US and Mexico by completing the construction of a wall. This would mean people may be less likely to attempt the dangerous journey.

Kamala Harris would like to make many changes to the policies, allowing people into America and creating pathways to make it possible for some people to become citizens there.

Economy



Kamala Harris said her priority would be trying to reduce food and housing costs for working families.

Donald Trump has promised to '...make America affordable again', by trying to keep costs of everyday items lower for everyone.

Trade



Donald Trump would like to put high taxes on goods coming from other countries, to help encourage people to buy from more local, American companies.

Kamala Harris says that she doesn't want families to have to pay a lot more for some of the things they might need, so won't increase taxes as much.

Climate change



Kamala Harris would like to encourage and support the increased usage of electric vehicles.

Donald Trump has said that increasing oil and gas production will make the US the world's top energy producer, helping to grow the economy.

More information found here: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/cwy343z5311o>



Look at the resource below, which shares some more information about Donald Trump and Kamala Harris.



Donald Trump

(Age 78)

Political Party:
Republican

Personal Life:

Trump was born in New York City and grew up in Queens. He is married and has five children. Before becoming President, he was known for his work in real estate and as a TV personality.

Career:

Trump worked in his family's real estate business, expanding it to include hotels, casinos, and golf courses. Some well-known projects include Trump Tower in New York City.

He became famous as the host of 'The Apprentice,' a reality show where contestants competed in business tasks, making his catchphrase 'You're fired!' popular.

In 2016, Trump was elected as the 45th president of the United States, serving until 2021.



Kamala Harris

(Age 59)

Political Party:
Democrat

Personal Life:

Harris was born in California. Her mother is from India, and her father is from Jamaica. She is married and has two stepchildren.

Career:

Harris started her career as a type of lawyer called a prosecutor. She became the Attorney General of California, which means she was the top lawyer in California, helping to make sure laws were fair.

In 2016, she was chosen by people in California to speak for them in Washington, D.C. This job is called a senator.

In 2021, she became the first woman, and the first person of Black and South Asian heritage, to be vice president of the United States. The vice president helps the president lead the country.



Look at the resource below, which shares some of the things four of the USA's past presidents achieved.

Abraham Lincoln was the 16th president of the United States (1861 – 1865). When Lincoln first took to office, the nation was in disagreement about enslaving people and each state's right to allow it. Lincoln opposed the spread of slavery and, as a result, a civil war broke out that lasted almost four years. He is most famous for creating the Thirteenth Amendment, which ended the enslavement of people.



George Washington was the first US president, serving from 1789 to 1797. He led the American Revolution. A revolution is when a government suddenly changes because a large number of people, who believe they are unfairly treated, decide to take power. The American Revolution started in 1775 and ended in 1783. The people living in 13 colonies in North America were not happy about how the British government treated them. They won the war and became the new country of the United States.



Woodrow Wilson was the 28th president of the United States. He was elected in 1912. He led the country through World War I, keeping the US neutral. He tried to end the war with peace talks, although he was not successful. After the war, he helped create the League of Nations, an international peace organisation, for which he was awarded the 1919 Nobel Prize for Peace. During his second term the Nineteenth Amendment was passed, giving women the right to vote.



Barack Obama's Presidential Inauguration (a ceremony during which the president of the United States is sworn into office) at Capitol Building, Washington D.C.

Barack Obama was the first African American elected president of the United States. He served two terms, 2009 – 2017. He is known for:

- Leading the country through the Great Recession, cutting the unemployment rate from 10% to 4.7% over six years.
- Ending the war in Iraq.
- Supporting the LGBT community's fight for marriage equality.
- Improving school nutrition with the Healthy Hunger-Free Kids Act.
- Winning the Nobel Peace Prize in 2009 for his 'extraordinary efforts to strengthen international diplomacy and cooperation between peoples.'

**Do you agree they all achieved something?
How do you believe they shaped the USA today?**



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Reflection



There are many qualities that help to make someone a good leader, and there are many different styles and ways in which to become one.





Democracy

Like the USA, the UK is a democracy. There are similarities and differences within their democracies but both countries hold an election, where people vote for their leader.

Protected Characteristics



Kamala Harris was the first woman to serve as the USA's vice president. A person's sex should never affect whether they are selected to be a president or leader.



Sex



Sexual
Orientation



Age



Disability



Gender
Reassignment



Marriage and
Civil Partnership



Pregnancy
and Maternity



Race



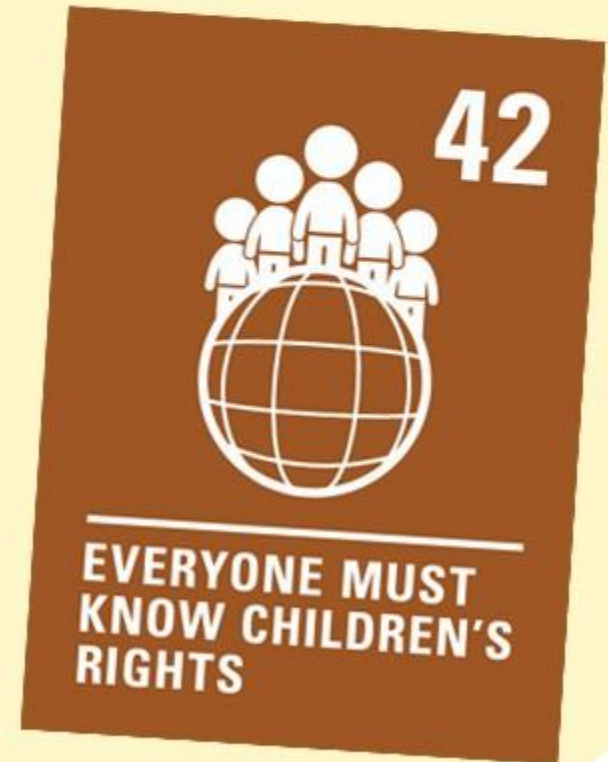
Religion
or Belief



UN Rights of the Child



Governments should actively tell children and adults about this Convention so that everyone knows about children's rights.



Useful vocabulary



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Can you use them in your writing this week?

Collective worship



Bible Link: Matthew 23:11

Christian Value: Service

Theme: Follow the leader



Pupil talk

- Who do you follow? Who are your leaders?
- What do you think makes a good leader?
- What do you think makes a bad leader?
- How important is it for leaders to care about and think about others?

Think

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Jesus is a very special leader. Crowds of people would gather to listen to him talk about loving God and your neighbour, putting others first, helping others, showing forgiveness and challenging bad behaviour. But Jesus didn't just talk about these things, his whole life showed he put his words into action.

Invitation prayer

Dear God,
Thank you for all the leaders in our communities,
Thank you for Jesus, a very special leader, who served all people,
Help us to serve each other with respect, love and care,
Amen

Key stage 1 class discussion

Imagine you were the leader of your class for the day.

- What would you do?
- Would you make any changes to the rules?
- How would you help others?
- Do you think you would enjoy it?

Key stage 2 class discussion

- Leaders often have the power to influence others. Can you share any examples of how leaders have influenced you?
- What sorts of qualities and values would you like to influence others with?
- What impact do you want to have on society?

Worship song

Shine Jesus shine



God



Creation



Fall



People of God



Incarnation



Gospel



Salvation



Kingdom of God

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- Look at this week's poster. Do you recognise either of the people? What do you think this week's story could be about?
- Next week, there is an election in the US to find out who will be the next president. Do you know who the current US president is?
- Read the information found on this week's assembly resource, which explains more about the policies of the two candidates. Share how you feel about each of the different issues.
- Watch this week's useful video, which shows both Donald Trump and Kamala Harris' views on climate change. Discuss your responses to their thoughts.
- Can you think of other areas of your life where you find leaders? Do you think it's important to have leaders? If so, why?
- Do you have any leadership roles in your school?
- Do you think anyone can become a leader? Explain your views.

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KS1 focus

What do we know about Kamala Harris and Donald Trump?



- Look at this week's poster, can you remember who these two people are? What are they doing? Where do you think they might be?
- The poster shows Donald Trump and Kamala Harris meeting face-to-face for the first time as presidential candidates. How might they have been feeling?
- Trump and Harris represent different political parties, which means they have different opinions and beliefs. Why might they be shaking hands? Do you think it is possible for leaders to get along, even if they believe in different things? Is this important?
- Look at resource 1, which shares some more information about the two candidates. Is there anything that you find interesting or that you like about them?
- They both have very different backgrounds. How do you think their past jobs have helped them to become leaders?
- Kamala Harris is the vice president, which means she helps the President lead. Do you think it is important for leaders to have help?
- Donald Trump was president when he had never been a politician before. Do you think people can learn to be leaders even if they haven't done it before?

Reflection

Sometimes, being a good leader means listening, showing respect, and finding ways to work with others, even when you don't agree.

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KS2 focus

What did some of the USA's past presidents achieve?



- Think about the word 'achieve'. What does it mean to you? Is there anything you hope to achieve in the next year, in the next ten years, within your lifetime?
- The things people achieve, whilst leading their country, often impact the lives of everyone living there. Will the things you hope to achieve impact others? If so, how?
- There have been 46 presidents of the United States. Can you name any of them? Do you know anything about them? Do you know what they achieved? Who is the current president?
- Look at resource 2, which shares some of the things four of the USA's past presidents achieved. Do you agree they all achieved something? How do you believe they shaped the USA today?
- Focus on Abraham Lincoln. He opposed slavery and, as a result, a civil war broke out. How do you think people felt about slavery at the time? Was everyone in agreement that it should be abolished? What happens when people living in the same country disagree?
- Think back to the things you hope to achieve. How do they compare with others in the class? Does everyone perceive achievements in the same way? Is it possible one person's achievement may be another's disappointment? Share your thoughts.

Reflection

Leaders consider others when setting their goals or targets. Achieving them can take time, courage, effort and skill. We can all set goals, we can all consider others and we can all achieve.

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KS2 follow-up ideas

Option 1

The USA (United States of America) is a country in North America.

- Can you locate North America and the USA on a world map?
- Can you name any states in the USA?
- How many states are there?
- What is the flag of the USA? What does it represent?

Use this opportunity to explore a map of the USA. Look at the names of the states and consider the following:

- Is there a coastline?
- How could you describe its position (north, south, east, west)?
- Which states border one another?

Option 2

Read and research to discover more about a US president. Use the following to help you:

- When did the president serve?
- What number were they?
- Which state were they from?
- When and where were they born?
- Can you find anything out about their early life?
- What did they achieve as president?

You could create a fact file of your president then share it with others in your class. Perhaps you could organise them in order of service or create a timeline!

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KS1 follow-up ideas

Option 1

Shine a spotlight on leadership by reading a short story or picture book about a famous leader from around the world, such as Nelson Mandela, Malala Yousafzai, or Rosa Parks. Discuss what made them good leaders and how they showed respect and courage.



Option 2

What makes a good leader? Think about the discussions you have had so far. Work with a partner or individually to create a poster that showcases the skills and qualities you think make a great leader. You might like to draw and write your ideas, or you could use magazines and newspapers to create a collage of your vision of a good leader. Share your posters as a class and compare the different qualities that everyone chose to showcase.

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This week's useful websites

This week's news story

www.bbc.com/news/articles/cwy343z53l1o

This week's useful video

Trump and Harris' view on climate change

www.youtube.com/shorts/EYvcC8fcdSk

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Conker Controversy!

This year's World Conker Championships had a surprising twist! David Jakins, also known as 'King Conker', won the men's competition after 40 years of trying. But some players thought he cheated by using a metal conker instead of a real one. Mr Jakins, who is 82, said the claims are not true. 'It's impossible to cheat at conkers – it's a load of nonsense,' he said. Event organiser, Jim Packer, agreed, saying, 'Somebody's a sore loser, I think.' Mr Jakins explained that he carries a metal conker to make children laugh by letting them try to break it. 'Their conkers always break, and they

can't believe it!' he said. Even with the drama, Mr Jakins proudly took home the 'King Conker' title. The overall winner was Kelci Banschbach, who became 'Queen Conker'.

Will you be collecting conkers this autumn?

Why not challenge your friends to a game of conkers?



Pictured: Conker collection. **Source:** Canva.

Northern De-Lights

People in the UK have been treated to some incredible light displays this year as the northern lights have been visible across the country. The lights, also called the aurora borealis, could be seen as far south as London, which doesn't happen very often. The northern lights are created when tiny particles from the Sun mix with gases in the Earth's atmosphere, making beautiful colours like pink, green, and purple. This year, there have been more sightings in the UK because of special activity on the Sun. Professor



Pictured: Northern lights display.
Source: @SpaceHumanity on X.

Sean Elvidge, who studies space, said, 'It's been the best year for seeing the northern lights in a long time. We might see more in the coming months!'

Have you ever seen the northern lights?

Why do people give gifts?



People offer gifts as an act of kindness, care and love.

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Royal Navy Rescue

Six rare turtles, that were blown off course by a storm, have been returned to their original habitat thanks to the Royal Navy. Royal Navy patrol ship, HMS Medway, assisted in the repatriation of six loggerhead turtles, called Jason, Gordon, Perran, Hayle, Holly and Tonni! The turtles were thousands of miles away from home when they were rescued and nursed back to health by carers at Newquay Blue Reef Aquarium and Anglesey Sea Zoo. HMS Medway was able to transport them back to their home in the Azores, during its transatlantic crossing on the way to the Caribbean.



Pictured: The turtles being returned to their natural habitat by the HMS Medway. **Source:** HMS Medway on X.

'As professional mariners, many of us are keen to do what we can to reduce the loss of biodiversity at sea,' said Rod Jones from the Royal Navy. 'Encountering marine wildlife is one of the great joys of seafaring and if we can assist, even in a small way, to make that more likely in the future we are pleased to be able to do that. Assisting turtles to return to warmer waters may not be the Royal Navy's primary role but as a government body we are very pleased to be able to support the UK's ambition for more healthy and diverse seas.'

What do you know about loggerhead turtles?



Journey to Jupiter!

A NASA spacecraft has launched from Florida on a mission to find out whether Jupiter's icy moon, Europa, could support life. The Europa Clipper weighs nearly six tonnes, measures 30m long, 17m wide, and is the largest spacecraft NASA has ever built for a planetary mission. The US space agency mission successfully launched aboard a SpaceX Falcon Heavy rocket from Kennedy Space Centre. This marks the start of a six-year, 1.8-billion-mile journey to find out whether Jupiter's moon has everything needed to support life. 'There is very strong evidence that the ingredients for life exist on Europa. But we have to go there to find out,' said Bonnie Buratti, the mission's deputy project scientist. Jupiter has 95 officially-recognised moons! Europa, the fourth largest, has

a vast global ocean of salty liquid water, 40-100 miles deep, beneath its up-to-15-mile icy shell. NASA explained, 'The mission's three main science objectives are to understand the nature of the ice shell and the ocean beneath it, along with the moon's composition and geology. The mission's detailed exploration of Europa will help scientists better understand the astrobiological potential for habitable worlds beyond our planet.'

Do you know any facts about Jupiter and Europa?

Would you like to journey into space?



Pictured: Europa Clipper mission successfully launching aboard a SpaceX Falcon Heavy rocket from Kennedy Space Centre. **Source:** NASA on X.

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People give gifts to show love and kindness towards other people.

Ella

Let us know what you think about this week's news



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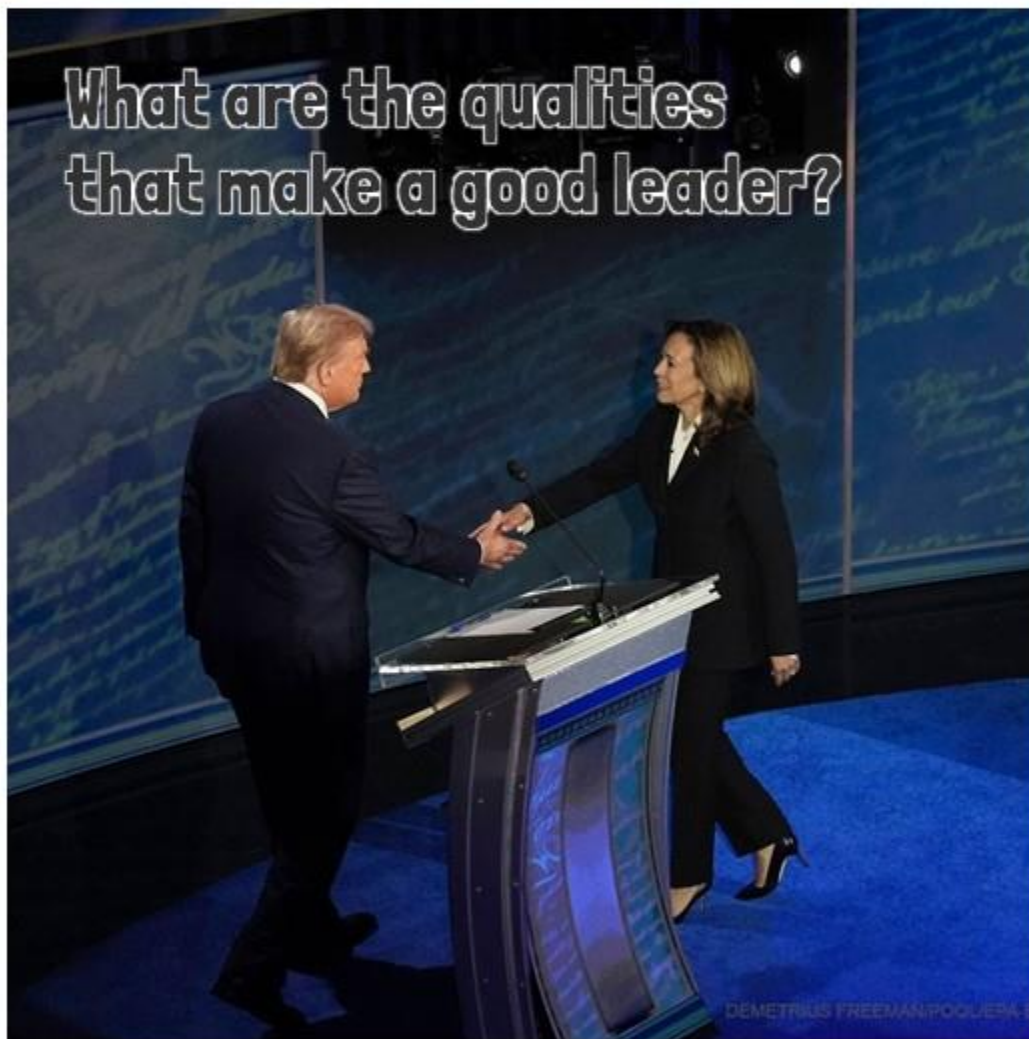
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Things to talk about at home ...

- > Are you aware of the presidential election in America and who is competing? Talk to others at home. What do they know?
- > Can you think of some of the places where you have a leader?
- > Have you ever been in a leadership role? Do you think you would like to be? What do you think would be hard and which parts do you think would be enjoyable?

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