RS	Is The World A Just Place? Part A	Year 8	Term 4

1. KEY TERMS

- **Democracy:** A country where the people choose their government.
- **British Values:** Democracy, respect and tolerance, rule of law and individual liberty.
- **Human Rights Act 1998:** Safeguard our human rights and set out our basic values and standards we share.
- **Racial injustice:** Unfair treatment based on race. Racism is an action.
- **Social activist: A**n intentional action with the goal of bringing about social change.
- **Ummah:** Worldwide community/brotherhood of Muslims (a unity).

2: SOCIAL JUSTICE- Martin Luther King

- Martin Luther King was a civil rights leader.
- King was a Christians who followed Jesus' teachings e.g. *"Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you."*
- He believed all people are equal because he believed we are all created by God *"God created mankind in his own image".*
- He taught "*Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere*."

3: SHOULD CHRISTIANS OBEY THE LAW?

- "*Everyone must submit himself to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established."* Romans
- "*Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves…"* Proverbs
- Jesus taught people to let love (agape) be their guiding principle. He taught the new law "*I give you a new law. That law is, "Love each other." As I have loved you, so you also love each other."*

4: SOCIAL JUSTICE-Amnesty International

- Amnesty International works to protect people wherever justice, freedom, truth and dignity are denied.
- Amnesty International is the world's largest grassroots human rights organisation.
- It was founded in 1961 by Peter Benenson, who was a British lawyer and a devout Christian.
- The stated mission of the organisation is to campaign for "*a world in which every person enjoys all of the human rights."*

5: ISLAM AND JUSTICE

- Muslims believe Allah is '*just'* as revealed in the Qur'an (the Holy Book of Islam).
- They believe everything is created by Allah and He created humans as His stewards; so they are responsible for His creation.
- Those who do not treat other people with justice will be judged by Allah on the Day of Judgement.
- Zakah- This is one of the five pillars of Islam. It is a duty and an act of worship for Muslims to give 2.5% of their savings to the less fortunate.

6: MUHAMMAD AND JUSTICE

- The prophet Muhammad is the greatest and final prophet of Islam. He was chosen to receive the Qur'an.
- Muhammad is the most perfect Muslim and it is through his example Muslims understand how to behave in a just way.
- *"None of you has faith until he loves (wishes) for his brother what he loves (wishes) for himself."*- Muhammad
- *"People are as equal as the teeth of a comb,"* - Muhammad