

Spring Part 2 2019

Week	News story	Focus question	British value
25 th February	Having been delayed by a week, Nigeria's presidential election is set to take place on the 25th February. Whoever wins will have to respond to power shortages and high unemployment.	Should you always vote if you have the chance?	Democracy: In a democracy, people elect their leaders and have a say in how their country is run. Nigeria became a democracy in 1999 and has recently held elections to find their new president.
4 th March	A group of MPs in our government have called for clothing companies to pay 1p on every item of clothing they sell to pay for a £35m annual recycling scheme.	Do we have more clothes than we need?	Individual Liberty: Clothes are important both to reflect who we are and to keep us warm and covered! It takes a lot of time and energy to make clothes, so we need to take care of them and be sure to reuse and recycle wherever possible.
11 th March	Education secretary, Damian Hinds has announced a new pilot for up to 370 schools for the teaching of mindfulness.	Can we learn how to be happy?	Mutual Respect: There will be times when we feel happy, and times when we feel sad. It's important we support each other during difficult times and celebrate together the things that make us happy!
18 th March	Children at Russell Scott Primary in Tameside have launched a campaign which involves patrolling the street outside their school and giving out fake parking tickets to anyone who stops on yellow lines or with their engine on.	Should schools be car free zones?	Rule of Law: There are rules and laws about where and how cars park around our schools to keep us all safe. It's important we follow these rules and encourage others to do the same.
25 th March	A bid to stop plans to close 25 libraries, and hand over several more to be "community-run" by volunteers, has failed in Essex last week.	Do we still need libraries in modern times?	Respect: Libraries can offer a lot more than just the books they contain, they are a welcoming place to educate, enrich and support us all regardless of who we are or where we are from.
1 st April	A couple from Oxford have raised £12,000 for charity by creating Panini- style cartoon versions of football players during international football tournaments.	Is it ever ok to copy others?	Individual Liberty: Copying is something we all do, it can be positive if it is helping us learn something new, but it can also be negative if we are copying someone else's work as though it's our own.
8 th April	Sir Anthony Seldon, from the University of Buckingham and a long-time believer of better support systems for children in schools, has suggested that schools across the country should have dogs to help deal with stress.	Should all schools have pets?	Respect: Keeping animals as pets can bring us great joy but they are a big responsibility. If we are taking care of an animal at home or school, it's important we understand and meet its needs.
15th April	The Great British Bake Off judge and celebrity chef Prue Leith, has called for schools to ban pack lunches	Who should decide what we eat for lunch?	Individual Liberty: School lunchtime is an opportunity to rest, refuel and let off some steam! It's important to think about what we eat and how we can make the best use of this time each day, given the choices we have.