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As a voluntary ethics teacher for the last 9 months, I can give first hand testimony of the value of Ethics classes. This is primarily due to two things, firstly the professionally put together curriculum of topics that inspire the children each week, and secondly and more importantly, the enthusiasm to get involved with this type of thinking from the kids themselves.

I believe that we are providing our children with a unique opportunity to be educated in how to think, not just be told what to think - and that this opportunity should not be lost. Least of all due to purely political reasons.