

Collective Worship & Religious Education

Spring 1 : January 2025



THANKFULNESS

This term we will be focusing on the value **THANKFULNESS** in our Collective Worships. As well as our daily 'teacher-led' Collective Worships, we are also joined by visitors from Open the Book each Wednesday and Revd Rhona Floate, both of whom the children thoroughly enjoy.

Words of Wisdom

"God gave you a gift of 86,400 seconds today. Have you used one to say thank you?"

Anon

Read together: The man who came back

Jesus was travelling along the dusty roads towards Jerusalem. At each village he was welcomed by people, happy to see him and listen to his teaching. But today, as he entered the village he saw in the distance a small group standing apart from the crowd. They were calling out, "Jesus, Master, help us, please make us well." These poor people had a disease called leprosy. They were terribly ill and no-one in the village wanted to go near them. But Jesus didn't ignore them. He stood among them and prayed for them. As each of them went on his way they began to notice that their whole bodies were healing up. They were so excited that they immediately rushed off to share their good news. Well, nine of them did. The tenth turned and fell on his knees in front of Jesus and thanked him for what he had done. "I healed ten people with leprosy today", said Jesus to the man. "Where are the others?". But then he smiled "Well at least you came back to say thank you!".

Bible story based on Luke 17: 11-19



Discussions at home

'Count your blessings' is an old saying, but it reminds us to be **thankful** and not take things for granted. As a family you may like to talk about

- Remembering to let other people know when you are **thankful**
- Not taking things for granted
- Practical ways of showing gratitude •
- How it feels when someone **thanks** you



In Class:

The units of work for each class for Term 3 are listed below.

FS / YR1

Special People

What do some people believe about God??

Christianity / Islam

Yr1 / YR2

Why and how do special places and symbols help show people what to believe?

Christianity/ Judaism

YR2 / YR3

Who is Guru Nanak and why do people follow him?

Sikhism

YEAR 3/4

How does the teaching of Gurus move Sikhs from dark to light?

Sikhism

YR5

What are the deeper meanings of festivals?

Comparisons between Hindu and Christian festivals

Hinduism / Christianity

YR6

What kind of king is Jesus?

Christianity

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It is great to see the hard work going on in RE lessons across the school this term and hearing about what the children have learnt about World Faiths.

If you have any family members/contacts further afield who practise a different world faith, who would be willing to talk to the children or answer some questions, then do please let me know. The children always enjoy finding out from a 'real' person about their beliefs and how this impacts their day to day lives.

Many thanks for your continued support

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