# St. Francis Church of England Primary School



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# **School Newsletter**

School Vision: Love Faith. Love People. Love Learning. 'I have come to give you life in all its fullness." John 10:10

School Values: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

#### Date: 12.09.22

### Collective Worship - This week...

We started a new Worship series this week on 'The Word'. As a school, we are looking at what Christians believe about the Bible and thinking about what we think of some bible verses. We linked this to the British Value of 'Mutual Respect' and 'Tolerance'. We unpicked the word tolerance and decided that a better phrase is to show understanding.

We looked at the bible verse from Genesis Chapter 28 Verse 15, which says, "I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go."

We spoke about 'wrestling' with the Bible and having chance to think about the information presented and what it means to them. Children have a range of thoughts and feelings relating to the bible verse and children thought about people in their lives that they want to be watched over and protected.

### Talk to your child(ren about...

Discuss with your child the following questions:

What do you think about the Bible?

What is the Bible?

What do you think about the Bible verse - 'I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go'?

How does the Bible verse make you feel?

Who does the Bible verse make you think of?

Is there anyone you want to think about or pray











## Democracy

People who strike have decided to take action to help their voice be heard. We should listen to the voice of others and remember we also have a voice and have the right to use it.



#### **Quick News:**

Monday 19th September - Bank Holiday: Please note, in line with the recent announcement from Government that Monday 19th September will be a Bank Holiday for the funeral of Queen Elizabeth II, school will be closed. We will re-open on Tuesday 20th September.

Parent/Carer Partnership: As you are aware, Miss Helen Ryding has taken up the baton of Parent/Carer Lead and to start with Miss Ryding completed a survey. Thank you to for completing as this has informed her work. You will receive a separate School Spider containing two attachments. The first attachment will detail an overview of how you can contact school and connect with school. The second attachment will outline all the parent/carer partnership dates for the full academic year of 2022-23. We hope this is of use but we do recognise and understand that not all parents/carers will be able to attend the dates on offer.

Operation Encompass: At the start of a new academic year, I am asked to remind you that we take part in Operation Encompass. Operation Encompass is linked with the Police and means that in the event of Domestic Abuse situation attended by the Police, we will receive a notification linked to your child. If we were to receive a notification, we will contact yourselves to check-in and see if there is anything we can do in addition to support. If you would like further information about this, please contact a member of the safeguarding team.

Safeguarding Team: Before the Summer holiday, I informed you that Mrs Katie Forrest has been appointed as 'Inclusion Officer' and because of this, we have reviewed the roles and responsibilities of the safeguarding team. Please see a separate attached letter that outlines the different roles and responsibilities that each team member holds.

Year 6 Parents: Please check that you are up-to-date with Robinwood payments so we can ensure this residential can go ahead.

Minor Illnesses and School Attendance: Please see attached separate attachment to view the guide for parents/carers around minor illnesses and school attendance.