



## **Worship Together**

'If you want others to be happy, practise compassion. If you want to be happy, practise compassion.' (Dalai Lama).

As part of our worship based on compassion, we thought about having the courage to care. The children were actively involved in a bible story about a Pharaoh who once ruled Egypt. He used the Hebrew people as slaves and treated them cruelly. When he ordered the baby boys to be killed, Moses' mother hid him in a basket that floated down the river. We heard how his sister, Miriam, followed him and was brave when Moses was found and how the Pharaoh's daughter showed compassion.

### *A prayer for one by Canon Farrar*

I am only one,  
But I am one.  
I cannot do everything,  
But I can do something.  
What I can do,  
I ought to do.  
And what I ought to do,  
By the grace of God, I will do.  
Amen

Kathy recorded a very special Advent service for us this week. In addition, she arranged for Christingles to be made for all of our children. You can watch the service by following this link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AGNBssnxOG4>

## **Christmas Food Bank Collection (a message from Kathy)**

I would like to invite all who are part of the Foundation family: St Mary's Church, Lady Katherine Church of England School, Lady Katherine Housing and Care and any other friends of the Foundation to take part in a collection for the Helping Hands Food Bank.

We have collected for this wonderful organisation for many years, but this year, as you will all be aware, the need is very much greater, as many more people are experiencing hardship because of the way in which the pandemic has affected their lives.

The yellow collection bucket will be outside Temple House from Monday to Friday between school hours. I would be very grateful if you could put even one item into the bucket.

The items that Helping Hands Food Bank need are listed below:

Cereal, tinned vegetables, jars of coffee, tinned tomatoes, jam, baked beans, teabags, tinned fruit, soup, tinned rice pudding, tinned pasta, corned beef, tinned stews, toothpaste, tinned casseroles, toothbrushes, tinned curries, shower gel, tinned meat and fish, deodorant.

Collections for the Food Bank will close on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December. Many thanks.

## **Social Media**

### **Facebook**

Our Facebook page is proving to be very popular. Please find us by searching Lady Katherine Leveson C of E Primary School.

### **Twitter**

Our school Twitter account has been active for some time. Please follow us @LadyKSch

### **Website**

The tech people at the academy are building us a new website. We are just adding the finishing touches but we are very excited about how it looks. We'll keep you updated.

## **Getting ready for Christmas**



Join our excited children in Care and Play in getting ready for Christmas by reading the following information...

## **Christmas Cards**

We understand that children will want to send Christmas cards to their friends. To enable this in a safe way, we will collect the cards in your child's class, quarantine them for 72 hours and then distribute them in a way that negates any contamination.

## **Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner**

We have arranged our Christmas lunch for the same day as national Christmas jumper day: Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December. Similar to odd socks day, we invite everyone who wants to join in to come to school in a Christmas jumper. If you wish to donate to Save the Children, you can access an online giving page by following this link:

<https://www.savethechildren.org.uk/christmas-jumper-day>

## **Christmas Nativity**

As you are aware, we are unable to hold our usual Early Years Nativity; KS1 Christmas Production and KS2 Carol Service. However, it's such an important time in our calendar that by the power of technology, we will film the Christmas Story in 4 bubbles, stitch it together and make it available for you to watch at home. The children will get an opportunity to act, sing and dress up but in a distanced and safe way. You have all been asked to review your permissions. It is crucial that teachers receive this as soon as possible, because although we will enable every child to take part, a great deal of thought needs to be given to where they are positioned in relation to the camera.

## **Christmas Holiday Dates**

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December – last day of term.

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January – school closed for children - INSET Day.

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January – children return to school.

## **Santa Dash**

We are linking up with School Games and joining in with the 'Santa Dash' next Friday. Children will already have the opportunity to be wearing their Christmas jumper and are also invited to wear a Christmas hat too if they want to. Mr Wadlow is arranging for each bubble, from Reception up to Year 6, to complete a mile loop. This should be lots of fun as well as being a nice opportunity to be physically active outside in our beautiful surroundings.

## **Vision and Values**

Many thanks to everyone who has contributed towards reviewing our vision and values. We want them to accurately reflect what we stand for as a school and to affect and shape our curriculum. As a school that is proud of our singing and performance, we want a mission statement based on scripture to encompass this. We also want to mention joyful learning, to reflect our need to look outward from our small and nurturing school environment to the wider world to help our children prepare to develop as global citizens. Any feedback or suggestions in further development of this would be appreciated.



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**'Joy to the world'**



Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;  
break forth into joyous song and sing praises!' Psalm 98:4

*Celebrating together the richness and diversity of life throughout the world; global citizens within our community and beyond.*

Our values

| Compassion   | Reconciliation | Friendship   | Joy | Community   | Stewardship | Respect |
|--|----------------|--|-----|---|-------------|---------|
| Our curriculum drivers   |                |  |     |   |             |         |
| <u>Confident Learners</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rich with knowledge and skills</li> <li>Positive wellbeing</li> <li>Risk-takers</li> <li>Experiencing success and building on it</li> <li>Resilient to challenge</li> <li>Physically active with sporting opportunities</li> <li>Connecting with others – links with Care Home and Foundation</li> <li>Inclusive and respect all</li> <li>Good reading and language skills</li> </ul> |                | <u>Joyful Learners</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enjoyment</li> <li>Opportunities for performance</li> <li>Emphasis on The Arts; Music, Art; Drama</li> <li>Celebrating success and achievement</li> <li>Joy of giving – relevant support of charities</li> <li>Visits to theatre</li> <li>Opportunities for all to learn to play an instrument</li> <li>A love of reading</li> </ul> |     | <u>Global Learners</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Friendship and kindness</li> <li>Local, national and global communities</li> <li>Global citizenship</li> <li>Celebrating diversity</li> <li>International links and partnerships</li> <li>Environmental – looking after our planet and everything that lives on it</li> <li>A curriculum that is culturally and ethnically rich and diverse</li> <li>Visits and visitors to local and further away places; to different religious places of worship and to museums and exhibitions that showcase the rich diversity of our world</li> </ul> |             |         |

### After School

If you have parked in a school car park, please return immediately to your car after collecting your child. Please remember social distancing, as we are aware that the bridge can be a potential bottleneck. In addition, we would appreciate it if you reminded your children not to climb on the trees.

Wishing you all a happy and safe weekend and week ahead.

*Simon Russell*

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