

Summer 2 2024 Church webpage

Collective Worship

This half term our theme is thankfulness. Christians believe that God loves and cares for them in different ways in all aspects of their life. They know that their response to this should be one of thankfulness and praise.

Our Big Questions are:

- What are we thankful for?
- How do we show an appreciative and thankful attitude?
- How do we show gratitude in practical ways?

Collective Worship summer 2 highlights:

Week 1 – This week we introduce our theme for the half term – thankfulness. Together we reflect on the need to express gratitude to people who help us in many different ways. From the story of the 10 lepers we learn about giving thanks. Our emotion of the week is 'selfish'.

Week 2 – This week, we welcome GenR8 into school to lead our Collective Worship. Our big questions for the half term are: What are we thankful for? How do we show an appreciative and thankful attitude? and How do we show gratitude in practical ways? This week we consider why Christians say grace before meals, thinking about saying thanks and the importance of sharing food with others. Our emotion of the week is 'speechless'.

Week 3 - This week, we learn about the feelings of gratitude expressed by the women who anointed Jesus. Together we reflect on occasions where we might want to express our love and gratitude. We conclude the week by reflecting on how we welcome people into our school and we look forward to welcoming our fathers and male carers to our virtual Fathers' Day event. Our emotion of the week is 'sympathetic'.

Week 4 – This week in Collective Worship, we reflect on the beauty of creation and express our thanks for this. In our choral worship, we sing together songs we will sing in our Leavers' Celebration service in July. Our emotion of the week is 'amused'.

Week 5 – This week, we reflect on being thankful for the good things that happen each day, including the music opportunities we have in school. In our choral worship, we sing together songs we will sing in our Leavers' Celebration service in July. Our emotion of the week is 'infuriated'.

Week 6 - This week, we are again thankful for the celebrations of drama and music in our school. In our choral worship, we sing together songs we will sing in our Leavers' Celebration service in July. Our emotion of the week is 'rejuvenated'.

Week 7 - This week we conclude our half term's theme of thankfulness by giving thanks for our school, the wonderful adults and pupils and all the things we have achieved this year. We welcome parents to our final Headteacher Celebration and Church Service and give thanks as part of our transition sessions. Our emotion of the week is 'thankful'.

Our Church Community

Claire, our Diocesan EDRA, visited us in person alongside one of our Foundation governors to talk to the children about their curriculum learning on display around the school.

Thanks to all the fathers and male carers who joined us virtually as each class said thank you to these special people in advance of Fathers' Day.

We were delighted to welcome GenR8 for their summer Collective Worship. The children reported: "GenR8 came to our school for a special collective worship. The message was about being respectful. We really enjoyed all the songs and acting and the people used lots of expression in their voices. We liked that they put a lot of effort into their performances and they were really funny. We enjoyed the different ways they make us do and we had fun learning a song with actions. The assembly was about being kind to people and also showing respect at the same time. I think respect is an element of kindness."

The School – Parish covenant, introduced by the Diocese of Ely, has been finalised in conjunction with all our linked parishes and we await the final document being returned from Diocese.

Patch-rick, the Petersfield Giraffe, who proudly displays our school values and a finger print of every member of our school community, has returned home to us. You can find out more on the website: <https://www.break-charity.org/charity/>.

Thank you to the church community for the donations of the Bibles presented to the year 6 pupils on their final day of primary school at the Leavers' Church Service. During the service, year 6 offer their thoughts and prayers of thanks for their time at our school.

Religious Education (RE)

Following a planning meeting with the County RE Advisor to review schemes of work which align with the 2023 Cambridgeshire Agreed Syllabus, we have made a decision regarding the Scheme of Work for Petersfield School and mapped out the RE continuous provision for our EYFS pupils.

Thank you to the volunteers and Rev Felicity who welcomed all of KS2 to church for REActive church this term. Each class appreciate the opportunity to learn and reflect in the church setting.

Mrs Penrose attended the SACRE meeting and has volunteered to be a key part of the working group commissioned to look at how SACRE can make the best use of meeting to best support teachers of RE in school.