

Collective Worship

This half term, our Collective Worship theme is justice. The justice revealed in the Bible is always seen in the context of love. It includes the call to take responsibility for one another, especially the poor and oppressed and to see that no one is excluded from the essentials of life. Our big questions for the half term are:

- How do we ensure our school is an inclusive community for all?
- How do we each take responsibility for fairness and justice?
- How do we demonstrate compassion and help for those who have made a mistake?

Collective Worship spring 1 highlights:

Week 1 – Happy New Year! As we begin the new term and calendar year, we launch our new theme for the term, justice. Through the teachings of the Bible, we explore our collective worship theme which challenges us all to take responsibility for one another, to be inclusive and to be compassionate when others make mistakes. Rev Felicity considers the work of Christian Aid, who strive to make life fairer. On Wednesday, we enjoyed welcoming parents into our Headteacher Awards.

Week 2 – Rev Felicity's Collective Worship this week explores the concept of standing up for others who are treated unfairly. We reflect on our understanding of injustice. Our peer mediators lead our Collective Worship to introduce themselves and remind everyone of the support our peer mediators offer in school.

Week 3 - Continuing our theme of Justice, Rev Felicity explores how we can make a difference. Rooted in our school value of love, we consider what our response might look like to address inequality and to tackle injustice. We focus on what we might do in situations where our own classmates need help.

Week 4 – Elm class showcase their learning in this week's class assembly. Rev Felicity explores the story of Bartimaeus which focuses on how easy it becomes for individuals to exclude others and treat them unjustly. She retells the story of how Jesus treated someone who is excluded. We conclude the week exploring what being inclusive at Petersfield looks like.

Week 5 – This week, Rev Felicity considered why we can sometimes be quick to judge and condemn one another. She introduced God as compassionate and loving, and spoke about the opportunities to have a fresh start each day. School Council will lead Friday's Worship.

Week 6 - In our final week of the half term, we consider those who have challenged injustice, for example Marcus Rashford. We listened to the story 'Words in your heart' and thought about the impact our words have on others. This half term, we have been reflecting on the following questions:

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Our Church Community

As ever, we were delighted to welcome our local Molly Dancers, including a former pupil, who returned to Petersfield to teach us traditional local dances on this festival day.

Inspirational Paralympian, Sean Rose, visited Petersfield and ensured everyone participated in being active whilst also encouraging others. He answered the many questions the children asked, challenging us all to be resilient, active and to make the most of opportunities! He set us the challenge of raising money for our school. We are still awaiting the final total but please do keep an eye on the school website and Petersfield Press in the coming weeks to see how much we raised. Well done Petersfield!

Thank you to GenR8 who led a session called 'Cool Choices' for our year 6 pupils. This is part of our transition programme supporting children as they complete their time at primary school and transition to secondary school.

We enjoyed taking part in the Love Your Home-Start Dress Down Day to support a fabulous local charity. If you would like to make a donation to support the Home-Start charity, please click [here](#).

Religious Education (RE)

Mrs Penrose met with Ely Diocese to plan for our next EDRA visit into school to work alongside Foundation Governors to monitor our curriculum implementation.

Mrs Penrose attended this term's SACRE meeting and is involved in a working party to shape the work of SACRE to further best support teachers of RE in schools.