



## RE & COLLECTIVE WORSHIP NEWSLETTER

### AUTUMN TERM 2019

*Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light to my path Psalm 119 v105*

With the start of an exciting new year we look forward living our new School Vision through all we do at St Mark's! We have planned our daily Collective Worship around our Vision and continue to reinforce it through class discussions and activities.

A new vicar for St Mark's Church has been appointed and we look forward to meeting and having a new person on our team at the school! We hope and pray for inspiration as we journey through the term!

#### Vision/Christian Values at St. Mark's through Collective Worship



We will be continuing to focus on a Christian Value for 2 weeks in Collective Worship with reflections in class. How the children show

their understanding of these values is celebrated in our Child of the Week Celebration on a Friday morning.

You are welcome to attend any assemblies if you would like to see what we do!

**Christian Values for this term are Reverence, Forgiveness, Peace and Thankfulness.**

Our weekly Collective Worship Plan is as follows:

**Monday** Worship Singing/Bible verse of the week/ Christian Value of the week.

**Tuesday** Scripture focused worship/Class assemblies

**Wednesday** Christian Value focus led by Leadership

**Thursday** Christian Value focus led by Mrs Bearfoot or visiting clergy

**Friday** Child of the Week Celebration

See the Collective Worship Plan attached to see which Vision Statement we are focusing on in Collective Worship each week.

Please guide your children through their

Our **Whole School Christian Values** are - Compassion, Wisdom, Justice, Koinonia, Peace, Trust, Forgiveness, Endurance, Reverence, Hope, Friendship, Humility, Thankfulness, Service and Trust.

#### Celebrations



Please join us to celebrate our festivals in school and at church this term.

**Harvest Festival -**  
Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October  
11am at St Mark's Church.

Reverend Liz Clutterbuck will be supporting us in leading the Service.

This year we will be raising money for Christian Aid to fight poverty and prejudice around the world. Please donate packets and tins which we will give to Foodbank.



Advent Service - date tbc at St Mark's

Nativity - date tbc at St Mark's

#### RE Curriculum Update

We are continuing to follow the new Scheme of Work developed by the London Diocesan Board for Schools (LDBS) this year.



Here is the link if you want to view the whole Scheme of Work for RE...<https://www.ldbs.co.uk/re-worship/re/re-units-learning/>



The scheme introduces a 'BIG QUESTION?' each term which forms the topic of study.

**Reception** - Who made the wonderful world and why?

**Year 1** - What responsibility has God given people about taking care of creation?

**Year 2** - Why did Jesus teach the Lord's Prayer as the way to pray?

**Year 3** - What is the bible's big story?

**Year 4** - How did belief in God affect the actions of people in the Old Testament?

**Year 5** - What do the miracles of Jesus teach?

**Year 6** - What is the journey of life and death?

Please support your child's learning by asking them questions about what they have been learning in RE and coming in to look at their RE books.

This term we will be introducing Core Christian Concepts into our RE Teaching and Learning Curriculum. Each Unit of Study considers one of the Concepts. These are:

**God**

**Creation**

**The Fall**

**People of God**

**Incarnation**

**Gospel**

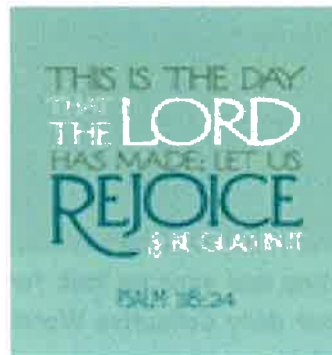
**Salvation**

**Kingdom of God**



Next half term we will send out more information about how these Concepts tell the Big Story of the bible.

Look out for some Hall Art created by the children this term to illustrate these ideas...



Each week we will be learning a new bible verse so that by the end of the term the children can say them all off by heart!

Please encourage your child by helping them to learn them at home and explaining to them what they mean.

**Colossians 3 vs 23** Whatever you do, work at it with all of your heart as though you are working for the Lord.

**Matthew 7 vs 7** Ask and you will receive, seek and you will find, knock and the door will be open to you.

**Ephesians 4 vs 32** Be kind and loving to one another. Forgive each other as God forgives you through Jesus Christ.

**Romans 12 vs 18** Do everything possible on your part to live in peace with everybody

**Matthew 11 vs 28** Come to me all who are tired from carrying heavy loads and I will give you rest.

**Matthew 13 vs 38** The field is the world and the good seed is the people who belong to the kingdom.

Have fun learning the verses - there will be a certificate for those who can learn them all - and for parents too!



Have a wonderful Autumn Term,  
God Bless,  
Mrs. Sarah Bearfoot  
RE and Collective Worship Leader/SENCO