

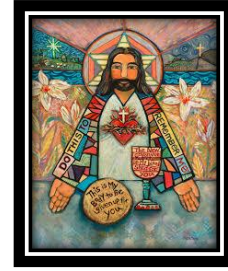


The Friday Messenger

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time- Peace Day (Year B)
Friday 12th January 2024



Our curriculum themes are:



- Year 1: Galilee to Jerusalem
- Year 2: Galilee to Jerusalem
- Year 3: Being a Christian
- Year 4: Jesus the Teacher
- Year 5: God's Covenant (The Commandments)
- Year 6: Jesus, Bread of Life

Year 1	Year 2
This week in Year 1 the children listened to the story of The Presentation of Jesus (Luke 2:22-38). We looked at a picture and explored who we thought the people were and what they were doing. We discussed how Simeon and Anna may have felt and how they recognised him as being special. We then explored pictures of Candlemas and discussed why this is a special occasion.	This week in RE we have started our new topic of 'Galilee to Jerusalem'. We started off with learning about John the Baptist. We heard about the preaching of John the Baptist from the scripture and then sequenced the story. We then started to make links between Isaiah and John the Baptist as prophets and their openness to the Holy spirit. We did this through reading the scripture and writing what they thought John the Baptist would have said to Isaiah.
Year 3	Year 4
Year 3 have started a new unit of teaching about what it means to be a Christian. This week they read the greatest commandment (Mark 12: 29-30) and considered what it meant. They then thought about how they act out this commandment in their daily lives	This week in RE, Year 4 started their new topic of Jesus, the Teacher. As a class, we looked at and discussed the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple and the importance of it in the Jewish faith. In small groups, the children retold the story and thought about the thoughts and feelings of the characters from the story. After their retelling, the children answered questions about the feast of The Presentation of Jesus and why it is important. Also, we looked at the words from Simeon which described Jesus as the "light of all nations." We discussed what that meant and answered the question "How is Jesus the light of the world?"
Year 5	Year 6
This week, we started our new RE topic: Exploring the Mass. The focus of this week's lessons was 'The Bread of Life' which involved an in-depth study of how Jesus is the 'Bread of Life'. The children had a detailed discussion on how and why people can be spiritually hungry, and how Jesus nourishes us in the Eucharist. They explored John: 1-15 (Feeding the 5000) to find examples of Jesus' actions and discussed their relevance to us today.	Year Five's first topic of the Spring term is called: 'God's Covenants'. They have learnt about the difference between a contract with someone and a covenant. We listed all contracts we may make in life and this helped us to see how a covenant is different. They have also worked in groups to explore how covenants are a very important part of our relationship with God and God's relationship with his people in the stories of The Old Testament: Abraham and Moses and The Israelites.

Gospel Values

This month's value is... **Truthfulness**

Action! This month's Gospel Value is truthfulness.

At home, write a prayer asking God to guide us and support us in always telling the truth however difficult it might be. Bring your prayer into school so that it can be prayed during your class prayer time.

