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*Lighting a Spark in Every Child*

## R.E Newsletter 10

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We regularly send home newsletters about the work going on at school in relation to Collective Worship, Religious Education and Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural Development.

### Collective Worship

On Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May we had three visitors who are Jehovah's Witnesses visit to lead a Collective Worship. Louise, Robert and their friend came to school. They gave the children a brief overview about what Jehovah's Witnesses believe, how they have to share their beliefs and they showed the children two videos on the Jehovah's Witness official website linked to values, one about sharing and the other about friendship.



In June we are learning about 'Trust'. On Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June Jo-Ann Gaunt visited once again. Firstly Clara Roberts and Ayla Kiamil demonstrated their trust in each other when Ayla had to lead a blindfolded Clara across the hall. Jo-Ann was very impressed by the children's knowledge of the Bible story 'Daniel in the Lion's Den', in which Daniel had to trust in God. Harrison Breese, Tilly Cornelius, Adithya Rao and Emily Scholes helped her to retell the story. Our thanks go to Jo-Ann and her helpers.

As we consider what Trust means, we will be thinking about:

- trusting in God ( for Christians)
- trusting yourself
- trusting others



Questions you could discuss with your child about trust include:

What makes a person trustworthy?

- Am I a trustworthy person?
- What does trusting somebody mean?
- What do you look for in someone before you know you can trust them?
- What does the Bible teach us about trust?
- What do other faiths teach us about trust?
- Is trust an important value for you?
- Who can you always trust?



Try a trust walk with a blindfolded assault course at home.

### Querk Update

Querk is still busy visiting different children's houses for celebrations. In May and so far in June Querk has celebrated a Baptism with Georgia O'Donnell, where Georgia watched the priest put a cross on the baby's head. He celebrated Jack O'Brien's Nanny's 70<sup>th</sup> birthday- what a special day! Finally he celebrated Father's Day with Amelia Porzio. Lucky Daddy enjoyed his card, gifts, hugs and kisses!



### RE

The RE units the children will be learning this half term are:

Year One	Who is a Christian, what do they believe? Who is a Muslim, what do they believe?
Year Two	How do we show we care for the Earth?
Year Three	What do religions teach about the natural world and why should we care about it?
Year Four	What are the deeper meanings of festivals?

### Other Faith celebrations in June

#### 6<sup>th</sup> June- 5th July- Ramadan

Ramadan begins with the sighting of the new moon that marks the start of the ninth month in the Islamic calendar. It is a time of fasting and spiritual renewal. According to the Koran, the Prophet Muhammad received the first revelations of the Koran during Ramadan. Therefore Ramadan is considered the most sacred month of the Islamic calendar. It is a time of fasting.

#### 11<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> June- Shavuot

Shavuot or the Festival of Weeks is a harvest festival when Jews give thanks for the first fruits of the year. Shavuot also marks the time when Moses received the Torah on Mount Sinai. It's a time to give thanks for the Holy Book and to study its texts.



## 16<sup>th</sup> June- Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev

Guru Arjan Dev was the fifth of the ten Sikh Gurus and the first Sikh martyr. He laid the foundations of the Golden Temple (Harmandir Sahib) in Amritsar, India and gave it four doors to symbolise acceptance of all people. He compiled the previous Gurus' writings into one book which formed the basis of the Guru Granth Sahib (Sikh Holy Book)

### Success Shields

These are given as recognition of an achievement outside of school. Children who have received a shield for last month are:

<b>Aiden Gaffey</b> TRFC Player of the Match/ Street Dance Star/ Karate Student of the Week	<b>Dagmar Caygill</b> Street Dance Star/ Swimming L3/ Ice Hockey L6	<b>Adithya Rao</b> Most Improved Player Football/ Football Tournament Participation
<b>Georgia O'Donnell</b> Climbing wall/ Irish Dancer of the Week	<b>Jasper Lampard</b> TRFC Player of the Match/ Swimming L4	<b>Isla Macloed-Irvine</b> Irish Dancer of the Week/ Brownie Badges
<b>Theo Ojulah</b> Dunstablians Rugby Tour	<b>Ollie Scholes</b> Swimming L3 + 5m	<b>Faye Macloed-Irvine</b> Rainbows Queens badge
<b>Emily Stratford</b> Gymnastics L2/ Stage 2 Ice Skating	<b>Emily Scholes</b> Swimming 100m	<b>Ava Cunningham</b> Irish Dancer of the Week/ Swimming L3
<b>Jack Miles</b> Street Dance Star	<b>Aaron Ward</b> Street Dance Star	<b>Fern Bartlett</b> Street Dance Star x2
<b>Imogen Collins</b> Karate Student of the Week	<b>Jack Rivers</b> TRFC Player of the Match	<b>Georgia Brown</b> Brownie Badges
<b>Freya Lawson</b> Brownie Badges	<b>Harrison Greene</b> Swimming L3	<b>Thomas Rogers</b> Gymnastics L7
<b>Tilly Cornelius</b> Swimming 25m	<b>Jessica Dudley</b> Guides Promise	<b>Faith Kenny</b> Karate Student of the Week
<b>Lucy Archer</b> Swimming Certificate	<b>Daniel DeFilippo</b> L4 Swimming	<b>Harry Crawley</b> Street Dance Star of the Week
<b>Callie Wood</b> Street Dance Star of the Week	<b>Jemima Cornelius</b> Irish Dancer of the Week	<b>Molly Simpson</b> Brownie Badge
<b>Christopher Gaffey</b> Karate Student of the Week	<b>Flo Hydes</b> Brownie Badge	<b>Holly Conway</b> Gymnastics L3
<b>Roxy Schapp-Garratt</b> Gymnastics L3/ Brownies Badge	<b>Clara Roberts</b> Swimming 20m	<b>Jamie Emerson</b> Swimming L4
<b>Louis Goodall</b> Street Dance Star of the Week/ MK Dons Academy	<b>Jamie Batt</b> Street Dance Star of the Week	<b>Ewan Phelan</b> Swimming L3 1st Mon Judo
<b>Zach Collins</b> Harpenden Colts Player of the Match	<b>Fynn McEvoy</b> Football Tournament Participation	<b>Jessica Dudley</b> Race For Life
<b>Archie Dudley</b> Black Belt Kick Boxing	<b>Michael Phelan</b> Judo Yellow Belt	<b>Jasmine Smith</b> Swimming Certificate
<b>Gabriel Hydes</b> TRFC Player of the Match	<b>Mason Greene</b> Chelsea Football Festival	<b>Ellie Day</b> Trampolining L9

<b>Lara Hastings</b> Gymnastics L4	<b>Lili Howling</b> Brownie Badge	<b>Micky Ustan</b> Dunstable FC Football Participation Trophy
<b>George Wills</b> 2nd Fencing Competition	<b>Mrs Child / Mrs Tillin / &amp; Parents</b> 26 m Midnight MoonWalk	<b>Mrs Collins</b> Race for Life
TRFC Under 9's Participation Trophy: <b>Ben Hunter/ William Howe/ Corey Bailey-Plater + Manager's Player/ Aiden Gaffey + Player's Player/ Charlie Ward/ Archie Field-Hall/ Jamie Batt/ Jonah Wilson + Supporters Player/ George Renwick + Most Consistent</b>		
Hatter's Cup Participation: <b>Ethan Lawrence/ Jasper Lampard/ George Davidson/ Luca Evans/ Ben Claridge/ Samuel Dobbs/ Luis Tham- Williams/ Matthew Hall/ Lewis Puddick/ Archie Adams/ Leo James/ Liam Williams/ Paul Cooper</b>		

If you have any further comments or suggestions please speak or write to Mrs Collins.  
Thank you

### A story about Trust: The Boy Who Cried Wolf

There was once a young Shepherd Boy who tended his sheep at the foot of a mountain near a dark forest. It was rather lonely for him all day, so he thought upon a plan by which he could get a little company and some excitement. He rushed down towards the village calling out "Wolf, Wolf," and the villagers came out to meet him, and some of them stopped with him for a considerable time. This pleased the boy so much that a few days afterwards he tried the same trick, and again the villagers came to his help. But shortly after this a Wolf actually did come out from the forest, and began to worry the sheep, and the boy of course cried out "Wolf, Wolf," still louder than before. But this time the villagers, who had been fooled twice before, thought the boy was again deceiving them, and nobody stirred to come to his help. So the Wolf made a good meal off the boy's flock, and when the boy complained, the wise man of the village said: "A liar will not be believed, even when he speaks the truth."



**What other stories can you find where trust is a theme?**

