



# St. Stephen's C.E. Primary School

## Aspire to Greatness

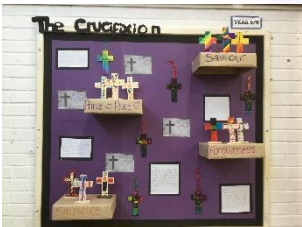


For we are the handiwork of God, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." Ephesians 2:10

### This Week's Worship Value continues with "S" for Succeed focusing on the value of "humility"

It's been a very busy week in school as we have gone deeper into the R.E. theme for every class across school and celebrated the Easter story. On Monday, Vicar Dave told us more of the crucifixion story and our in class worship session went deeper into the meaning of the resurrection this week. We explored Christ's humility in all aspects of the Easter story and reflected on this for our own lives.

Children have been busy creating art and D.T. products as part of Easter enrichment and the hall beautifully displays the children's work. Each child will have received a small fairtrade chocolate egg this week, to remind them of the meaning of "new life" from the Easter story.



Our classes have each studied, in depth, a section of the Easter story and a montage of drama clips have been put together for our school community to watch. We hope you enjoy the performance and are as proud of the pupils as we are! Well done children, you show your understanding and empathy so well in this production!

<https://youtu.be/pp5anLaoms0>



## Easter End of Term Worship

The worship leaders were able to present the Easter story in Worship today. The cross has been decorated with crafts made by the children and their prayers reflected their wishes for the world today. We live through some challenging times, but there is always Hope for the future when you have faith in God. We are reminded that God is in charge of all things and that we can entrust anything to him. The Easter message also reminds us that we are forgiven, when we repent, through an unconditional love. We hope to film today's worship and will put the video on Class Dojo when it is ready.



One of the worship leader prayers, "Dear God, thank you for forgiving all our sins. Thank you for showing us your marvellous might. Make it so that we can forgive the way that you do. Make it so that we can be as brave as you. Amen".

## Easter Enrichment

Children in KS2 had a really enjoyable trip to church on Wednesday as they learned more about the Easter story. There were 6 practical activities provided by the volunteers at St. Stephen's and the children reflected on the meaning behind each of the activities – all linked to sections of the Easter Story. Thank you to our church volunteers who repeated each activity 24 times!



## Eco Council Great British Big Clean Up

Well done to the Eco Council who have been caring for our school environment. Your actions have shown that you care for not just our local area but our world. You are great role models to all!





**Lent Charity – The Red Cross** Our final collection for the Red Cross took place today. We have collected **£183.32** from the children and staff donations. Thank you for encouraging pupils to give generously from their pocket money to help others in need.

Lord, open our eyes, that we may see you in our brothers and sisters.  
Lord, open our ears, that we may hear the cries of the hungry, the cold, the frightened, the oppressed.  
Lord, open our hearts, that we may love each other as you love us.  
Renew in us your spirit.  
Lord, free us and make us one.  
Amen  
*Prayer by St Theresa*



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### **My Place Community Project**

The My Place project has been really successful and we hope to continue with offering an outdoor learning group again in the Autumn. If you are keen to join the group now, there are 6 weeks left. You can contact Jenny Reddell for more information: Email: [jreddell@lancswt.org.uk](mailto:jreddell@lancswt.org.uk) Tel: 07738 102274



### **Robinwood**

We have had a number of interested children who wish to attend Robinwood in 2023. We will send out further details and costs in the summer term.

In the meantime, this brilliant video may wet the appetites of current Year 4 and Year 5 children. If you would like to express interest, then please let the office know:

<https://youtu.be/4jxw7BKPg0s>



### **Parent Governor Vacancy**

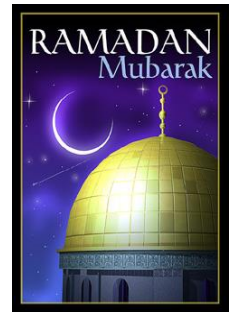
We are looking for a parent/carer with the necessary skills to contribute to the leadership of this very happy school. The governing body are committed to attending meetings 6 times a year and to visit school to meet with leaders and support learning. If you are interested in making a difference for our children then please get in touch with school for a parent governor application pack.

### **Parents' Evening**

Thank you for attending parents' evening this week. The opportunity to meet with teachers is so important, as they can add the detail to the interim reports sent home this week. There will be a fuller report coming home at the end of term, which will summarise the attainment and progress of your child.

Ramadan Mubarak to our community who start their month of fasting. We know that many in our community will be taking part in the fast over the holiday and beyond.

We are excited to be invited to the new mosque on Grafton Street. It is a thoughtfully designed new build and a blessing to those in our muslim community. Details and a date will be announced after the holiday!



### Dates for your Diaries

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April – Year 4 trip to Brockholes Nature Reserve

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April – Year 3 and Year 3/4 trip to Brockholes Nature Reserve

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> April – St George's Day lunch menu

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May – focus in R.E. in the Islamic faith and with Eid Enrichment Day on Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> May

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May – SATs week for KS2 pupils

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May – KS1 assessments take place over a 2 week period

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May – Platinum Jubilee week finishing with a outdoor picnic for pupils!

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June – Choir trip to Young Voices in Manchester

### Covid Updates

As of today, the DFE have advised that:

- adults with the symptoms of a respiratory infection, and who have a high temperature or feel unwell, should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature
- children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend
- adults with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days, which is when they are most infectious. For children and young people aged 18 and under, the advice will be 3 days
- regular asymptomatic testing is no longer recommended in any education or childcare setting. Schools will no longer be able to order test kits

Schools should not hand out any test kits to staff, pupils, or students unless advised by your local health protection team, local authority or director of public health.



VIP Winners who have “Aspired to Greatness”

These children “Achieve Highly” and show humility in difficult circumstances

Derek Jones - F. Inventors      Tung Tung Tsz Wong – F. Explorers

Amber Furtado - Y1   Rayhan Ali -Y1/2

Anushka Yadav – Y2   Ahmad Abdullah – Y3   Patrikas Briedis – Y3/4

Nahara Sylfai – Y4      Adam Traynor - Y5/6      Robyn Baldwin - Y6

Golden Book winners who have “Aspired to Greatness” in their Work

Madison Sherlock - F. Inventors      Hauwa Gumel – F. Explorers

Subhan Ashraf - Y1,   Alice-Marie Dinnigan -Y1/2

Alex Podlodowski – Y2,   Junior Waters - Y 3      Zoe Dobroccki – Y3/4

Aayma Asif – Y4      Aziz Feroz - in 5/6      Fazarnah Feroz - Y6

Lunchtime VIPs – who have “Aspired to Greatness” and excelled at lunchtimes in their behaviour

Zahra Kazee - F. Inventors      Johnny Doran - F. Explorers

Aiden Ashcroft - Y1   Joy Vivek-Varre -Y1/2

Doug Wilbraham – Y2   Faeryn Meredith-Blake - Y3      Blake Duckworth – Y3/4

Abigail Jemson – Y4      Heidi Ashworth - Y5/6

Yusuf Ali - Y6

Happy Easter to all of our Families  
See you for the start of the new term on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April!

