



St. Stephen's C.E. Primary School

Aspire to Greatness



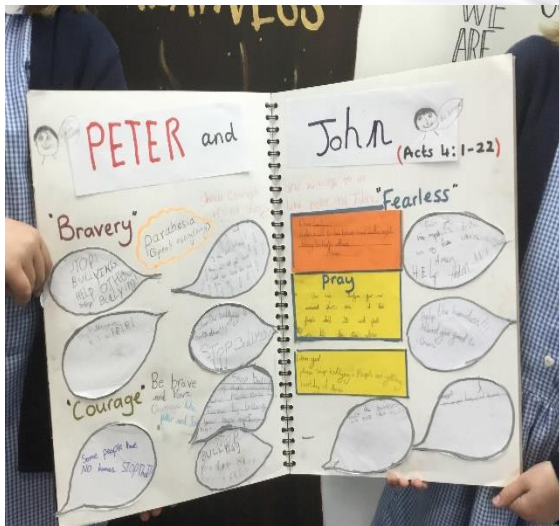
For we are the handiwork of God, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." Ephesians 2:10

This Week's Worship Value was "courage"

As we continue to explore "P" for "Persevere"

We continued to explore the theme of courage this week in our worship. Vicar Dave came to tell us of the life of St. Peter. He was one of Jesus's closest disciples and yet, in a time of fear, chose to deny him. We read in the bible that Peter became a very courageous apostle who spoke the word of God despite hostility and persecution. Such was the power of the Holy Spirit working to give him courage. The children learned the story of Peter and John from the book of Acts. They were brave in talking from their hearts about what they believed.

We reflected on the courage we need to be bold. The Greek word for "boldness" is called "parrhesia" which also means "speak everything". Our children have reflected on the things they want to speak about and, this week, our Year 3 worship leaders shared their ideas in Thursday's worship. Pupils felt that it is important to talk about helping the homeless, ending bullying and to protect the environment. Well done Year 3 for sharing your words in assembly!



Jubilee

We are so excited about the Queen's Jubilee party on Friday next week. This will be a non-uniform day and we are planning a whole school party on the field. Each year group is celebrating a decade of the queen's reign and children have been learning songs and dances.

Children will receive a special jubilee box in which they can eat their meal outdoors. We will also celebrate with a procession and a special tree planting. Should the weather be wet, we will celebrate in the school hall.

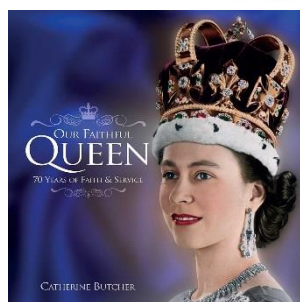


Our neighbourhood is joining in with jubilee celebrations and we are decorating the perimeter of school with bunting to match that which is due to go up over the half term holiday. Your child is invited to make a pennant for class bunting. This will be attached to the perimeter of the school on Thursday.

On Thursday 9th June, the school choir, a small group of Year 2 writers and some able magicians from Year 6 will entertain members of Judd House as they have a Jubilee party. We will also incorporate the Jubilee theme into our Summer Community Fundraiser which will take place straight after school on Thursday 7th July.

Please note that school will be closed for a Jubilee holiday on Monday 6th June. **School re-opens on Thursday 9th June** after 2 Inset day closures.

Jubilee Service at St Stephen's Church



St Stephen's Church will be celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee on Sunday 5 June 2022, with a special outdoor service in the church car park. The service starts at 10.30am and this will be an informal service with people sat around tables and chairs.

If the weather isn't good then we will move inside. We have x 50 copies of the book entitled 'Our Faithful Queen' by Catherine Butcher to give away and there is a free BBQ after the service. We are encouraging children to come dressed in red, white, and blue with a royal theme and adults may want to do the same. There is also a cake competition – the task is to bake a Victoria Sponge with a royal theme. We have a special judge coming to judge the cakes. Everyone is welcome to come and celebrate this special day! More details on our church website <https://ststephenspreston.org.uk>

Mosque Visit – Monday 16th May

All pupils in main school visited the mosque on Grafton Street this week. We were warmly welcomed into this beautiful building. Children were able to see where ablution (wudu) takes place before prayer. A small number of our muslim children were able to explain how they learn verses of the Quran and demonstrated how prayer takes place. We are very grateful to the Imams and Mr Timol for enabling us to visit and to enrich our learning in Religious Education and to celebrate the opening of the new mosque.



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 future. 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 Tel: 07738 102274



After School Jubilee Community Fundraiser

To celebrate the Jubilee and to come together as a community, we are hosting a summer fundraiser straight after school on Thursday 7th July. There will be a Jubilee-themed treasure hunt in the environmental area and a number of stalls. Please save the date!

"The Year 2 Big Toy Rehoming"

Year 2 have been thinking a lot about refugee children and how they might have had to leave their favourite toys behind. We read a book last week in worship called "The Day the War Came" by Nicola Davies and it inspired us to take action. We would like to have a toy amnesty to encourage parents and children to donate pre-loved or unwanted toys. We will then donate them to children less fortunate than us. Thank you for the toys sent in so far.

Toy donations are not compulsory, and we wouldn't expect children to donate anything that is special to them. Please also ensure that any toy donations are of a good quality, clean and are in full working order.

Many thanks
Year 2, Mrs Robinson and Miss Patel.

SATS

Year 2 children will continue to sit their assessment tests next week. These tests are marked by the teachers and are administered in class as part of the children's everyday learning. Teachers will report assessments at the end of the year. Thank you parents for encouraging your child to try their best.

'Preston Live' Raffle

The organisers of "Preston Live" have donated 1 free child's ticket to every family this week. The festival takes place 2nd - 3rd June and there are adult tickets we are raffling for £1 a ticket. Tickets may be purchased on ParentPay and the raffle will be drawn on Friday 27th May.



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📍 Preston Sports Club Preston

Thursday 2nd - Friday 3rd June

A spectacular 2 day music festival featuring some of the best tribute acts, local bands and DJ's.

Dates for your Diaries

Monday 23rd May – Platinum Jubilee week finishing with an outdoor picnic for pupils!

Thursday 26th May – Year 1/2 class assembly at 2.35 p.m./choir trip to Young Voices in Manchester

Monday 30th May – Wednesday 8th June Half Term – (Queen's Jubilee) followed by Tues and Wed

Inset days

Thursday 9th June – School re-opens

Tuesday 14th June – Upper Junior Trip to Salford Keys (details to be announced)

Monday 20th June – School Sports Week begins:

Tues – KS1, Thurs – KS2 and Friday – EYFS (9.30 – 11.30 a.m.) Families may come to watch but please only photograph your own child on the day

Wednesday 22nd June – EYFS open evening, this will take place on Zoom at 6 p.m.

Thursday 7th July – After school Summer Fundraiser – Jubilee theme

Thursday 14th July – Y6 Production of "Cinderella Rockafella"

Tuesday 19th July – children move up to meet their new class teacher

Thursday 21st July – School closes for the summer holiday at **2 p.m.**



VIP Winners who have “Aspired to Greatness”

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

Brandon Whittaker - F. Inventors Derek Jones – F. Explorers

Olza Koxha - Y1 Luna Elliott - Y1/2

Doug Wilbraham – Y2 Supreme Igbo – Y3 Zain Patel – Y3/4

Asma’u Hammajam – Y4 Danika Fox-North - Y5/6 William Imms - Y6

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

Seth Lyons - F. Inventors Alys Duckworth – F. Explorers

Alisha Shah - Y1 All of Y2 pupils from this class - Y1/2

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Abigail Jemson – Y4

Akemi Knight - Y5/6

Raul Ilie - Y6

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

Layla Ronald - F. Inventors Mariah Tapsell - F. Explorers

Marley Jones - Y1 Neha Tailor - Y1/2

Alexia Serban – Y2 Abhi Vuppala - Y3 Zahra Abdullah – Y3/4

Katie Hobson – Y4 Abu Miah - Y5/6

Tancho Tanchev – Y6