



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 "gratitude"

As we continue to reflect on "E" for ENJOY in our values this week

It was a very hot start to the week as we reached the final days of the school year. It has been a truly interesting year with many things to be grateful for. We have reflected on the whole year and the progress we have made. It has been a year packed with trips, activities, experiences and a return to a school year which hasn't been affected, quite so much, by the pandemic.

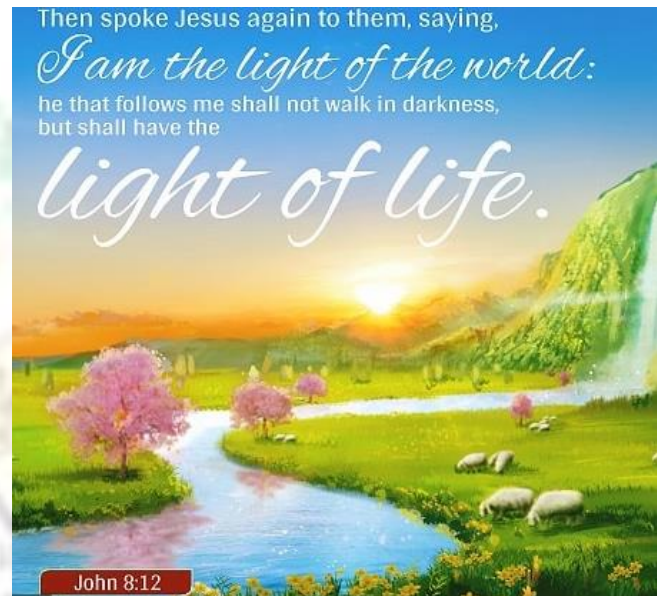
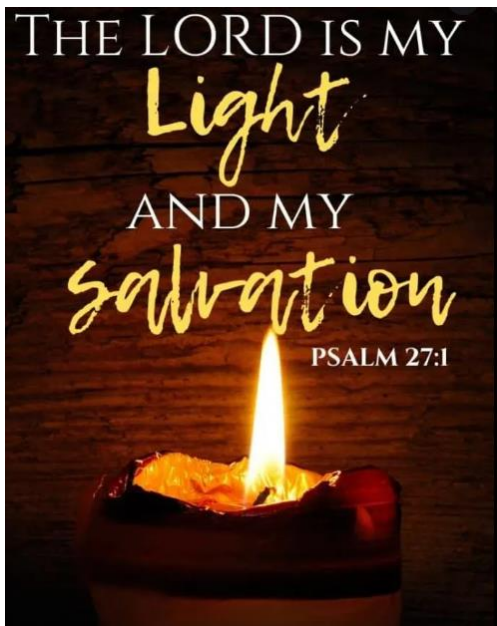
The staff are very grateful to the support received from families and for the happy smiles that the children bring to school each day. We are a happy and diverse community and one which shines out within this area of Preston.

Our worship theme for the week has been to be lights that shine in the darkness and we have listened to a beautiful song as we came into worship. You may also enjoy it: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CVeB7ACVgO0> We reflected on the role models of Martin Luther King and Nelson Mandela who struggled peacefully through times of challenge. The legacy of their lives are that their words still shine for all to hear. Children have reflected upon how they can continue to let their lights shine as they move on to a new class or new school now that the end of term has arrived.

**AS WE LET OUR OWN LIGHT
SHINE, WE UNCONSCIOUSLY
GIVE OTHER PEOPLE
PERMISSION TO DO
THE SAME.**



Last week, we reflected on Jesus the light of the world and it was lovely to see Reception present a wonderful assembly today and where they explained that Jesus walked on water to rescue his disciples. Jesus the light of the world said that he can be trusted in difficult times. The Reception children then shared all that they are grateful for. We often forget to remember all that we can be thankful for. Gratitude makes us happy and how good to end the year being grateful and thankful that we need not worry through difficult times.



Year 6 Leavers and Awards

Our year 6 pupils are ready to leave for High School after a week of reflections on their time here at school. Shirts have been signed and their party took place yesterday. Today is a day to celebrate the achievements of all of our children and particularly those who are leaving. Special awards have been handed out to Y6 pupils and the shields handed out were:

Literacy Award:	Ava Ebrahimi Ashtiani
Maths Award:	Zaid Desai
Science award:	Shivam Yadav
Music Award:	Emily Andrews
Sports Award:	Excellence Igbo
Progress Award:	Tancho Tanchev
Contribution to School Award:	Dahiru Hammajam
Aspire to Greatness Award:	Mumtaaz Badat



The children received a leavers' book containing pictures and words and the memories of a great year 6 are shown throughout the pages. What a fantastic year group and we wish you and all other school leavers, including Mr H, the very best for the future!

ParentPay and School Meals

From next term, we will be using the "School Spider" app to pay for school-related items. All families must make sure that ParentPay balances are cleared next week, thank you!

From September, school meals will rise in cost to £2.35. Please note this price increase.

Trips and Experiences

Reception class loved their Forest Schools trip on Monday. They were shaded by trees and had a wonderful day enjoying nature.

Class Induction

Children have now all met their new staff. Mr Wood and Miss Pickervance also visited school on Tuesday. We welcome new staff to school to join a caring team of staff.

Lost Property and School Uniform

From September, we require children to wear correct uniform. Please no hooped or large earrings and no earrings on a P.E. day. Black school shoes or trainers must be worn. Please note the uniform policy on the school website and ensure that clothing is labelled from September. Thank you!

<https://www.st-stephens.lancs.sch.uk/page/school-uniform/87577>

Should you require a uniform then please let us know as we have some good-as-new uniforms in school.

Attendance Assembly

Yesterday, we celebrated those children who have attended school for 98%+ of the year. We were also able to hand out awards to children who have attended for 100% of their time in school. This is a great achievement! Our 100% children received a goody bag and a voucher for Level in town.

Well done to:

- Layla Ronald
- Henry De Sousa Corrin
- Nia Devonport
- Khadija Ajmal
- James De Sousa Corrin
- Supreme Igbo
- Testimony Igbo
- Serenity Meredith-Blake
- Zahra Rafiq
- Adam Traynor
- Excellence Igbo
- Emily Andrews

Dates for your Diaries

Monday 5th September – Return to school for an **8:50 a.m. start to lessons.** Please remember that children will be collected from playgrounds at **8:45 a.m.** and they will leave school at **3:20 p.m.** next year!

And finally...

Thank you to our community for the fantastic support over the year. St Stephen's staff wish you and the children a very happy summer holiday.

See you on Monday 5th September from 8.45 a.m.!

