

Minutes of Faith Team Meeting

Thursday 22nd September 2022 2.00 - 3.00 pm

Present: Mrs Brooks. Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 5, Year 6 Faith Team.

Apologies: Year 4

Mrs Brooks thanked the Faith Team for coming. Mrs Brooks led the Faith Team in prayer.

Item 1: What is the role of the Faith Team?

We talked about what we thought the role of a Faith Team member should be. We decided that our roles are as follows:

- To monitor Collective Worship once a term (Year 4, 5 and 6)
- To lead Collective Worship once a term.
- To be involved in promoting the half termly Love Projects.
- To change the prayer board regularly and stick prayers into the prayer book.
- To read in church
- To be good role models to the rest of the children around the school.

Item 2: Faith Team Board

We looked at our Faith Team board. Mrs Brooks talked through each area of the Faith Team board, such as Love Projects, church services, Faith Team Collective Worship, Faith Team Monitoring and our KS1 partnership with St. Peter's Infant School in Oxted. We took new photos of the Faith Team members which will also be displayed on the board.

Item 3: Prayer Board

We looked at the prayer board. Our current prayer focus is on the death of Queen Elizabeth. Each class have been asked to write prayers to celebrate her life and service. After half term, our prayer focus will return to global events. Each class will be given a series of global events each week to pray for. Lily-Rose and Elodie in Year 6 will collect the prayers during phase Collective Worship each week. These prayers will be put in the post box, then once sorted will be displayed on the prayer board and also in the prayer book.

Item 4: Collective Worship Monitoring

The next collective Worship monitoring is on Tuesday 11th October. Revd Len will be leading the worship. We talked about the aspects of CW they would be focussing on and what they needed to look out for.

- Who led today's Collective Worship?
- What happened in today's Collective Worship?
- What was the message?
- What Anglican traditions did you observe?
- Did you sing? If so, what did you sing?
- Do you think all children were engaged in today's Collective Worship?
- Why do you think this?
- What do you enjoy the most about Collective Worship?

We talked about how to recognise if children were engaged with Collective Worship. Mrs Brooks presented Faith Team with a new monitoring sheet, which provided the children with ideas about what to include in each section of the monitoring. Presently only KS2 take part in Collective Worship monitoring. Max in Year 2 said he would also like to be involved, so we will consider including Year 2 Faith Team in the Summer term.

Item 5: Faith Team Collective Worship

Wednesday 23rd November. This term's focus is on Parables. The children suggested the following parables to tell: The Lost Sheep and The Wise Man and the Foolish Builder. Mrs Brooks asked Faith Team to think of some more parables they would like to present in Collective Worship and let her know by the end of next week.

Item 6: Harvest Festival

Faith team will be reading the prayers at the Harvest Service on Friday 7th October.

We ran through the running order of the service and practised reading the prayers. The children have taken the prayers away to learn. Mrs Brooks asked Faith Team to remind their teachers to let them practise in front of the class.

Item 7: Love Projects

The Love Project for Autumn 1 is Open Hands Reigate. Mrs Brooks asked Faith Team to encourage their class to bring in specific items as there is only a week and a half left before the items are collected.

The Love Project for Autumn 2 is Operation Christmas Child. Faith Team thought it was a good idea to have class shoe boxes to fill as last year not many families brought a shoe box in.

ACTIONS:

- To practise reading the prayers for the Harvest Service on the 7th October.
- Lily-Rose and Elodie to collect class prayers and to monitor the prayer board.
- Mrs Brooks to source some 'Operation Christmas Child boxes.'
- To organise a pop-up prayer space for the Autumn term.