

Themes for this half term

- The focus for this term's theme is "The Words of Jesus (Roots and Fruits) and Courage (classroom worship)
- **Class worship** will be led by **class teachers** and is **highlighted green**. The class worships will focus on the British Values and how we use these to help drive our school vision.
- **Highlighted blue** will be pupil-led by the School's Worship Squad Leaders
- There will be the following awareness days/ weeks: Anti Bullying Day, Road Safety Week, Children In Need, Remembrance Day

Week beginning	Values	Theme	Monday Whole School	Tuesday Whole School	Wednesday Class Worship	Thursday Whole School	Friday Whole School
31/10/22 Week 8	Tolerance	School Vision & Ethos	Welcome back & Black History KS1 Scientists, KS2 Musicians	PSHE Worship	Aspirations 1 Aspirations Activity 1	KS1 Singing Practice KS2 Singing Practice	Praise & Celebration & Firework safety
07/11/22 Week 9	Dignity	School Vision & Ethos	Safeguarding worship	Love one another ppt 11	Aspirations 2 Aspirations Activity 2	KS1 Singing Practice KS2 Singing Practice	Praise & Celebration & Remembrance Day
14/11/22 Week 10	Wisdom	School Vision & Ethos	Road Safety Week	Anti Bullying week	Aspirations 3 Aspirations Activity 3	KS1 Singing Practice KS2 Singing Practice	Praise & Celebration
21/11/22 Week 11	Hope	School Vision & Ethos	The Coming of Jesus is told	The Long Journey to Bethlehem	Advent 1	BIG RE DAY	Training Day
28/11/22 Week 12	Wisdom	School Vision & Ethos	Advent Wreath	Advent 2	St. Andrew's Day	KS1 Singing Practice KS2 Singing Practice	Praise & Celebration UK Tree Dressing Day
05/12/22 Week 13	Community	School Vision & Ethos	Jesus is born	Escape into Egypt	Christmas 1	KS1 Singing Practice KS2 Singing Practice Christmas Jumper Day	Praise & Celebration
12/12/22 Week 7	Joy	School Vision & Ethos	Christingle WSL & Revd Phillips	Angel	Christmas	KS1 Singing Practice KS2 Singing Practice	Praise & Celebration
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Week 1: Aspirations

Our first session on the value of aspirations begins with exploring the definition of the word, and the meaning of having hopes and ambitions.

Our key question for this session is “What are aspirations?”

The Bible story for this week is Moses and his mother, highlighting the dreams she had for her son, and what he then went on to achieve. A key focus for this first session is emphasising that we can all have hopes and dreams to achieve great things in life.

Song – Wonderfully Made

This song reinforces the fact that we are all unique, and special, and we are all made to achieve great things in life. Discussion points can be made around the value of confidence in our abilities, and that we all can have personal hopes and ambitions unique to who we are. The prayer activity is a personal goal chart for both KS1 and KS2. All that is needed for this activity is the worksheet, and pens and pencils for decorating. This activity focuses on what a personal goal might be, what challenges may be faced along the way, and how the goal can practically be achieved.

Week 2: Aspirations

This week, our knowledge builder session on the value of aspirations focuses on the question, “How can having aspirations help me?”. The character, Dr Dream, helps the team to understand that we have outside goals, which help our bodies to learn, and inside goals, that help our hearts to grow. Discussion points can be around how having hopes and aspirations can be good for us as we can learn new things, and practice patience and perseverance, as we strive to reach our goals.

The Bible story for this week is the story of Abraham and Sarah, and the challenges they faced to achieve their hopes and dreams. Other key values linked to this session are trust and hope.

Song – When I Get That Feeling

Our uplifting song for the session has lyrics based around following your dreams.

This week's prayer activity is a self-portrait picture, which only requires the template, and pens and pencils to decorate, for both KS1 and KS2.

Week 3: Aspirations

Our final week looking at aspirations encourages the children to think about what already makes them a star, and how believing in your own unique abilities can give you confidence to strive for your hopes and goals. Discussion points can be around questions such as: What are your skills? What are you good at? What do you enjoy doing? What makes you a star?

In this session we revisit the Bible story of David and Goliath and look at the important values of courage and trust. We look at David's character, and how he had passion, his own skills, perseverance, and a strong faith and trust in God, all of which enabled him to fulfil his dreams and achieve great things.

Song – All Over The World

This week's song is about how we can all be a part of changing the world we live in.

In the prayer activity, the children will have the opportunity to make their own star award. This activity is for KS1 And KS2, and all they will need is the star award template, and pens, pencils etc to decorate!

Week 1: Advent

This week's session focuses on a new theme of Advent, and what it means to Christians. There are two Advent-focused sessions leading up to our Christmas sessions. This first session is called “Advent: The Wait!”

The iSingPOP team unpack what Advent is, with emphasis on the nature of waiting for the birth of Jesus. Different things that Christians do during the season of Advent will be discussed, including prayer, reflection, and symbols such as lighting candles. The Bible animation covers the prophecies foretold about the birth of Jesus, and how people waited for many years for his coming.

Song – All This Time

The iSingPOP song for this week emphasises the hope and joy of the birth of Jesus.

The prayer activity will require the advent candles worksheet, and pens and pencils for decorating. There are 4 candles for the children to decorate and write words on that they feel link to the theme on each candle. The words on each candle highlight what Advent means to Christians; Pray, Give, Help, Celebrate. This activity will encourage group discussions on the key words associated with the season, and what this special time of year means to Christians.

Week 2: Advent

Our second week looking at Advent focuses on preparation, and how Christians believe it is a time to prepare our hearts and our homes for the season, as we celebrate the birth of Jesus. There will be focus and opportunity to discuss the Bible verse John 8:1, which speaks about Jesus being the light of the world. The team discuss how we can prepare our hearts and our homes, and the different things Christians might focus on during Advent.

Our Bible story is about the ten bridesmaids, and how important their time of preparation was in the story.

Song – The Gift

The song for this session highlights the gift of Jesus' birth at Christmas time. The prayer activity is a fun Advent wordsearch where the children can work in groups to find the words that are associated with Advent and Christmas. This activity will require the wordsearch print out and pens and pencils.

Week 1: Christmas

This week is our first session in our two-part series on Christmas! The episode focuses on the journey that Mary and Joseph made to get to Bethlehem. The iSingPOP team look at the long, and difficult journey they took, and through the Bible animation they discuss the importance of that journey, and how challenging it was.

Song – Such a Good Thing

Our song for this week reminds us of how important Jesus' birth is to Christians today.

The prayer activity is a great opportunity for the children to discuss what the journey would have been like for Mary and Joseph, imagining what they might have seen and experienced along the way. All that is needed for this activity is a blank piece of paper, and pens and pencils for writing and drawing. They will create a 'Journey to Bethlehem map', where they can draw a road map leading to the stable in Bethlehem. They can also draw pictures, and write words on their map depicting the journey, and then the final destination.

Week 2: Christmas

This week sees the conclusion to our Christmas story with an episode entitled "Party Time!". In this final session, the nativity story will focus on the birth of Jesus and the special people who visited him.

The iSingPOP team will discuss the visit of the shepherds and Wise Men, and the gifts that they brought. There will be an opportunity to discuss how special Christmas is to Christians, and how this is a time to celebrate. The values explored in this session are love, hope and faith.

Song – Celebrate

The song for this week does what it says on the tin – it encourages the children to celebrate!

The prayer activity is to make special Christmas cards using the Christmas present template, scissors, glue, and various craft items to decorate the cards. This is a celebration session and gives an opportunity for the children to discuss the gift of Jesus at Christmas time, as they give someone the gift of their special Christmas card!

