

# Collective Worship

**This week's theme:** Lest we forget...the light

**The Bible tells us:**



**Inspirational quote:**

**NOTHING CAN DIM  
THE LIGHT THAT  
SHINES FROM WITHIN.**

– MAYA ANGELOU

## **Thought for the week**

There are bumps in the road on the journey of life. There are times when things don't go according to plan and we need to dig deep into our resilience stores. These are the times when we need to keep our light shining and perhaps require support from others to do so. There are times when we will need to remember to 'be the light' for others. How will you 'be a light' this week?

## **This week**

This week in collective worship we have reflected on how we can shine out as a light in the world. In the words of the song we have been singing this week: It's not time to be silent, don't you dare hide your light!

Mr Ayling spoke to us about All Saint's Day and the history of All Hallows' Eve. We reflected on the light from the pumpkins and the fact that the tradition of having lit pumpkins was originally to ward off anything unpleasant; to ward off darkness.

Mr Carr came into school and talked to us about Saul who persecuted Christians until a bright light shone around him and he heard the voice of Jesus who told him to go to Damascus. The bright light blinded him so he was led to Damascus and there he didn't eat or drink anything for 3 days. He prayed and had time to think about what he had been doing. Ananias told Saul he had been sent to help him see again. Scales fell from his eyes and he could see again. Saul 'saw the light' and changed his ways.

We have also spent time thinking about Diwali and the importance of light in other religions and how it often represents victory over darkness.

Prayers were written for the areas or things in the world that need more light; the places where the light is needed to triumph over the darkness.

We celebrated with the Year 6 Girls' football team who have been declared East Dorset Champions! They are an inspiration to us all as they shine their lights through their talents.

We pray for help to shine our lights brightly. We pray for aspiration and belief that we can make a difference by 'shining our light' in places where there is darkness. We pray for the confidence to reach out to others who might need us to share our light with them.