



# Collective Worship

24th October

**Let's reflect and show respect...and make change happen**

**This week in collective worship we have been reflecting on how we can actually make the changes that we want to see happen!**

## Thought for the week

It takes 30 days to turn something into a habit...this needs consistency though. It means committing to making that change happen. Perhaps you don't always use the nicest language (perhaps this has become a habit that you need to break); perhaps you sometimes choose not to 'do the kind thing'; perhaps you choose to wind up your sibling; perhaps you will commit to standing up against injustices that you see. If we consciously choose to change something, we need to commit to changing it and consistently choose to do it/not to do it. What will you pledge to change this week that you will do consistently so that we can all flourish?

**Learn to do right; seek justice.**

**Defend the oppressed. Take up the cause of the fatherless; plead the case of the widow.**

**Isaiah 1: 11**

'It pays to be kind - if you are kind to other people, people will be kind to you.'

**Pupil voice**

## This week in collective worship

This week in collective worship we have been thinking about taking action to change the things that we have been talking about changing to make our school community and the local community in which we live the nicest place that it can be.

Year 5 have had a busy week of activities, which included a reflective experience at St. Michael's Church; a moment to pause in a busy week and consider how faith can be a support to us.

In class collective worship we have considered the people who have stood against injustice and impacted to change the world in a positive way. We reflected on the fact we don't need to do big things to make changes happen - it's the small things we can do to make a difference to someone else. The way we treat others can be a way that we change the world for the better. We considered how the language we use does have an impact on others and that sometimes it's the things we don't say that make a difference.

We welcomed some visitors from St. John's Church to speak to us and they asked us to consider the things that are wrong with the world and how we need people who are willing to make a difference and take action. We reflected on a Bible reading reminding us that we should not judge others - demonstrated through paint! If we have paint on our hands and we try to help others, we will cover them in paint. In the same way, before we try to change the world, we need to sort ourselves out. Asking Jesus for help is a way of becoming 'clean'.

Mr Manley led a collective worship about the enrichment opportunities available to us. He encouraged us to 'live a life that moves you'; get involved in activities that give you pride and a sense of belonging. He introduced us to an app where we can keep records and reflect on the extra curricular activities that we do.

Praise was a particularly exciting event as the new school show was revealed... we will be performing 'Matilda' in the Spring!

Getting involved in the incredible opportunities available to us helps us to build connections between us, ultimately breaking down the barriers that can divide us for so many different reasons. This is yet another way that we can change the world.

## Prayer for the week

Heavenly Father,

Help us to be the changes that we want to see in the world. Help us consider the language that we use and the interactions that we choose to have with others. Help us to focus on treating others in the way they would want to be treated so that everyone can truly flourish.

Amen

**Each person uniquely made in God's image merits the best that we can give.**

