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Year Group and Class Name	Principle	Character	Story	Song (To the tune of Row, Row, Row your Boat)	Prayer
Reception and Reception/ Year 1	<p>Human Dignity: Everyone is Special</p> <p>"Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness."" Genesis 1:26</p> <p>St Paul tells us that each person "is a work of art, created by God and chosen for a unique purpose". <i>Ephesians 2:10</i></p> <p>"Every person is worthy of our giving...they are God's handiwork, his creation. God created that person in his image, and he or she reflects something of God's glory. Every human being is the object of God's infinite tenderness, and he himself is present in their lives." <i>Pope Francis, Evangelii Gaudium, 274</i></p>	<p>Luc the Deer</p> <div data-bbox="539 499 864 981"> <p><u>Human Dignity</u> Everyone is special.</p>  <p>We are beautifully made in the image and likeness of God.</p> </div>	<p>Luc has many brothers and sisters. He is the oldest brother, but he reminds his siblings how important they are.</p> <p>Some of his younger siblings have been upset as they are a bit different. Some have different coloured skin, some are a bit shorter, some a bit slower, one has only three legs.</p> <p>Luc has a gentle way of reminding them that they are all beautiful and important just as they are. They are all made by God and have great value.</p> <p><i>Luc's story reminds us that each of us is made in God's image. This means that everyone is special. We should treat every person the same way we want to be treated.</i></p>	<p>Everyone is special</p> <p>Can you hear what Luc the deer</p> <p>Is telling us to see?</p> <p>Everyone is special</p> <p>That's human dignity</p>	<p>Loving God,</p> <p>We believe that each person is special because God made us all. Help us try to make sure all people are treated with respect and have what they need because God made them too.</p> <p>Lord in your mercy</p> <p>Hear our prayer</p>



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Year 1	<p>The Common Good: Thinking of everyone</p> <p>"All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would... distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need." Acts 2:44-45</p> <p>"You are not making a gift of your possessions to the poor person. You are handing over to them what is theirs." Saint Ambrose (340-397 AD)</p> <p>The common good means that the fruits of the earth belong to everyone. No one should be excluded from the gifts of creation. Pope Paul VI spoke about this 50 years ago in his encyclical <i>Populorum Progressio</i>.</p>	<p>Chikondi the Giraffe</p> <div data-bbox="542 533 855 987"> <p><u>The Common Good</u> Thinking of everyone.</p>  <p>We are called to work for the good of each and of all.</p> </div>	<p>Chikondi loves to play hide and seek with her friends. Some of her friends are really good (like spider and mouse). Chikondi is often found first in this game as she struggles to find a way to hide herself because of her really long legs and neck.</p> <p>One day she thought about not including some of the smaller animals so that she would not be the first picked. But then she realised that it was important for everyone to be included and for everyone to be treated equally.</p> <p>So now she just giggles to herself whenever she is found! She is happy that everyone is having fun, and everyone has a chance to play together without being left out.</p> <p>Chikondi's story tells us that what we do affects everyone. When we make decisions, we should think about the good of everyone.</p>	<p>Thinking of everyone</p> <p>We think of everyone, We think of everyone, Chikondi wants the common good So think of everyone.</p>	<p>Loving God,</p> <p>We believe that we are all brothers and sisters. Help us to think about what is good for everyone, not just ourselves.</p> <p>Lord in your mercy Hear our prayer</p>



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Year 2	<p>Distributive Justice: Sharing Fairly</p> <p>"He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?" <i>Micah 6:8</i></p> <p>"...we are agreed today that the earth is essentially a shared inheritance, whose fruits are meant to benefit everyone.' <i>Pope Francis, Laudato Si'</i></p>	<p>DJ the Dolphin</p> <div data-bbox="537 673 864 1155"> <p><u>Distributive Justice</u></p> <p>Sharing fairly.</p>  <p>Everyone should have access to their fair share of resources.</p> </div>	<p>DJ is part of a large family of dolphins (a pod) His family take turns to catch their food (usually fish).</p> <p>Some of his older brothers and sisters don't share all that they catch on purpose. DJ, being one of the youngest, is often given a small portion while some of the others take a few each.</p> <p>DJ is not afraid to tell his family that this is not fair.</p> <p>Like DJ we should make sure that everyone gets their fair share.</p>	<p>Sharing fairly</p> <p>DJ the dolphin wants to share, With every person everywhere, So everyone has what they need, We should share things fairly.</p>	<p>Loving God,</p> <p>We believe that the gifts of the world should be shared fairly. Help us to always be grateful for what we have and share generously with others.</p> <p>Lord in your mercy</p> <p>Hear our prayer</p>



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Year 2/3	Promoting Peace: Being peacemakers "...those who promote peace have joy." Proverbs	Daisy the Dove	<i>Daisy lives in a tough neighbourhood where some of the animals try to use their size to bully others. She is not afraid to be a peacemaker and remind others to be caring and</i>	Being peacemakers Making friends is building peace,	Loving God, We believe you want to bring your peace to our homes, our communities and



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"Peace... is an order that is founded in truth, nurtured and animated by charity, and brought into effect under the auspices of freedom." *Pacem in Terris*, 1963, #167

"Our common bonds of humanity demand that we live in harmony and that we promote what is good for one another. These ethical implications are the reason why solidarity is a basic key to peace." *St John Paul II*

Promoting Peace

Being peacemakers.



We can be God's instruments of peace through seeking justice.

kind. Every day she sings a beautiful tune to keep everyone calm and speaks kind words to all around her to build up their self-esteem.

Some days are harder than others and more challenging. However, she knows it is important to keep working for a world full of peace.

Daisy's story reminds us that it is important to keep working to build a more peaceful world.

Forgiving is building peace,

Welcoming is building peace

Just like Daisy dove.

our world.
Help us to be peacemakers, listening to and loving each other.




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Year 3	Stewardship: Caring for God's gifts "The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it." <i>Genesis 2:15</i> "...the world we have received also belongs to those who will follow us." <i>Pope Francis, Laudato Si'</i>	Sofia the Sloth 	<p>Sofia often sleeps in her favourite tree within a National Park Forest.</p> <p>One day a big machine woke her up and started chopping down the trees. She joins some of the others who call the forest home, to stop the illegal logging.</p> <p>She reminds the operators that these trees need to be cared for like the rest of God's creation.</p> <p><i>From Sofia's story we find out that we need to be caring for the many gifts that God has given to us. These include our environment,</i></p>	Caring for God's gifts Taking care of all God's gifts, Stewardship, stewardship. Sofia the sloth reminds us all, To take care of the earth.	Loving God, We believe that the world is for everyone. We thank you for the gift of Creation. Help us to take care of the planet and all people who live on it. Lord in your mercy Hear our prayer



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			<i>our own talents and other resources.</i>		
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Year 4	Participation: Taking part “Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.” <i>1 Corinthians 12:27</i> “When each separate part works as it should, the whole body grows and builds itself up through love.” <i>Ephesians 4:16</i> “Each of us has a part to play, a gift	Patariki the Penguin  Participation Taking part. We all have the right and duty to participate fully in society.	Once every year the penguins come together to a sports festival. Patariki is in charge of making sure that everyone takes part. Different breeds of penguin join in, Little Blues, Fjorordland crested and Yellow eyed. The events include sprint races, diving, synchronised swimming, shark racing, sand digging and fish eating! Patariki loves it when everyone takes part. There is nothing better than watching a crowd of penguins cheer for everyone and having fun all together. Those who feel they need support are always given the	Taking part We can take part every day, We all have a part to play, Patariki helps us say “Participation”.	Loving God, We believe that everyone has special gifts and talents. Thank you for the gifts you have given us. Help us to make sure everyone can use the talents you gave them. Lord in your mercy Hear our prayer



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to share, a service
to offer, for
building up the
Body of Christ in
love."
*Pope Francis, 19
June 2013*


help they need to participate
and enjoy themselves.

*When we listen to Patariki's story
we are reminded that we live in
community with others, growing
together. It is important that we
join in.*



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Year 4/5	Solidarity: Showing we care "... all of you are one in Christ Jesus." <i>Galatians 3:28</i> "In truth I tell you, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers [or sisters] of mine, you did it to me." <i>Matthew 25:40</i> "We are a single family dwelling in a common home." Pope Francis, <i>Fratelli Tutti</i> , 17	Shristi the Sun Bear 	Shristi is one of the biggest animals in her neck of the woods. However, she also has the kindest heart. A fire destroyed part of her forest and many animals lost their homes and were injured and couldn't live like they used to. Shristi was the first to visit them and shared time with them, learning what it was like to lose your home. After becoming friends, she made sure that they found new homes and were happy with their new lives. Her actions inspired lots of other animals to follow. We learn from Shristi's story that we must recognise others as our brothers and sisters and actively work for their good.	Showing we care Use your actions and your words So everyone can see, You show you care like Shristi bear, That's solidarity.	Loving God, We believe that we are one big human family. Help us to reach out to people who are suffering or sad, showing them the love, you have shown to us. Lord in your mercy Hear our prayer



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Year 5/6	<p>Subsidiarity: Everyone should have a say</p> <p>"Blessed are they who maintain justice, who constantly do what is right" <i>Psalm 106:3</i></p> <p>"...together we want to give voice to all those who suffer, to all those who have no voice and are not heard". <i>Pope Francis, 20 September 2016</i></p>	<p>Sid the Sheep</p> <div data-bbox="535 515 862 994"> <p><u>Subsidiarity</u> Everyone should have a say.</p>  <p>We are called to empower communities to let everyone have a say.</p> </div>	<p>Sid enjoys hanging out with his flock in his favourite field. Sometimes their owner, Farmer Dale asks them to move to a new field where the grass is a bit greener but they have come to realise that one field has nicer tasting grass.</p> <p>One day Farmer Dale tells them they'd be moving fields again, but Sid and his cousins explained that they'd prefer to stay for a few more days until the grass had been eaten. At first Farmer Dale wasn't happy, but then he realised that the sheep were in a better position to make the decision and it actually affected them most. Now Farmer Dale spends more time listening to the sheep.</p> <p><i>Sid's story helps us to remember that everyone has important ideas and knows what is best for their families and communities. They need to have a say in decisions which affect them.</i></p>	<p>Everyone should have a say</p> <p>Everyone should have say, In decisions that are made. Sid the sheep helps us to see, It's subsidiarity. Everyone should have a say In decisions that are made.</p>	<p>Loving God, We believe that people who make decisions should listen to everyone. Help us make sure everyone is treated fairly and can have a say. Lord in your mercy Hear our prayer</p>




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Year 6	<p>Preferential Option for the Poor:</p> <p>Putting people in most need first</p> <p>"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me." Matthew 25:35-40</p> <p>"The spirit of the Lord is on me, for he has anointed me to bring the good news to the afflicted. He has sent me... to let the oppressed go free." Luke 4:18</p>	<p>Poppy the Pōpokotea</p> <div> <p><u>Preferential Option for the Poor</u></p> <p>Putting people most in need first.</p>  <p>The needs of poor and vulnerable people should be put first.</p> </div>	<p>When Poppy hatched, she was all alone and never knew her parents. She remembers having to rely on kind birds caring for her and bringing her worms to eat.</p> <p>As one of the youngest and most vulnerable, she understands what it was like to have nothing and the need to rely on others.</p> <p>She is much older now and has started a "Worms-4-U" service for birds in need everywhere.</p> <p>Poppy's story tells us that we should think first about the needs of people who need help the most.</p>	<p>Putting people in most need first</p> <p>All the people most in need,</p> <p>Put them first, put them first.</p> <p>Poppy says we put them first,</p> <p>That's option for the poor.</p>	<p>Loving God,</p> <p>We believe that when we serve the poor, we serve you. Help us to take special care of those people most in need.</p> <p>Lord in your mercy</p> <p>Hear our prayer</p>



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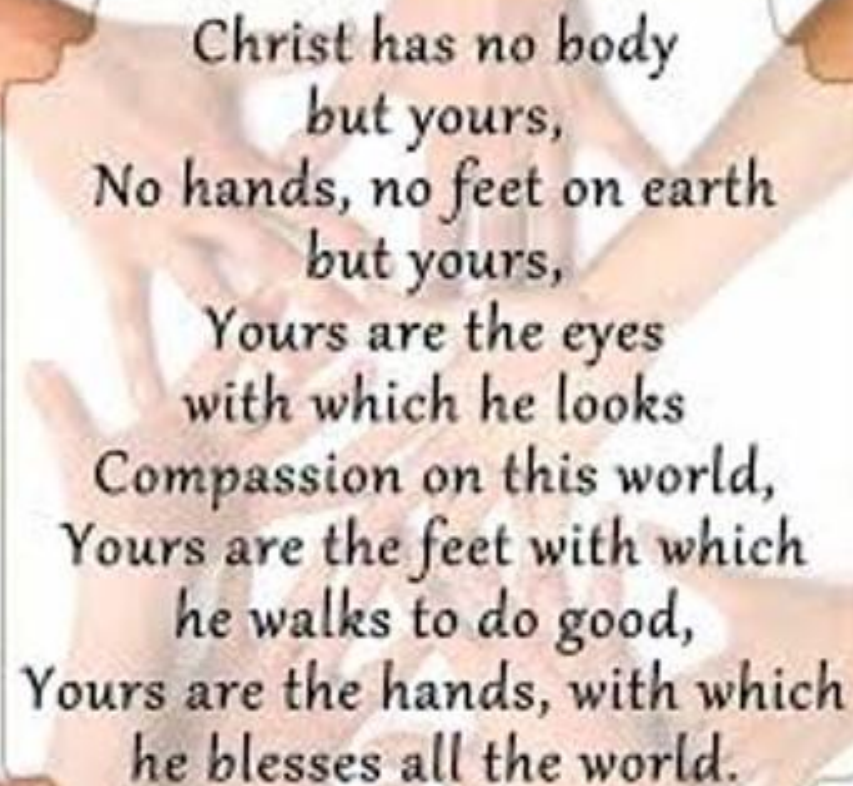
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Christ has no body
but yours,
No hands, no feet on earth
but yours,
Yours are the eyes
with which he looks
Compassion on this world,
Yours are the feet with which
he walks to do good,
Yours are the hands, with which
he blesses all the world.

-Teresa of Avila (attributed)