ST JAMES CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL, HEBBURN

5th September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 5 and Year 6 - Fishers of Friends

We would like to give the children in Year 6 the opportunity to participate in the Faith in Action Award. This award rewards young people for their active service in helping to build the Kingdom of God on Earth. To gain the award at 'Pin Level' the children will be required to accrue credits of service in their parish, school or wider community. This might involve fundraising, sending letters to their MP or visiting the elderly.

The children will meet once a week on a Thursday after school from 3:30pm – 4:30pm to discuss their active service and they will record their work in a journal. There will be opportunities for personal reflection each term.

At the end of the year the Year 6 children will submit a final piece of work before being awarded their entry level pins. To cover the cost of journals, administration fees and pins there will be a single payment of £5.00 which can be paid via Parent Pay. A reminder and we cannot stress this enough, please do not let the cost deter you. We want every child to be given this opportunity. We will be happy to chat to anyone that feels they may need support, please get in touch.

As part of the Fishers of Friends group we would also like to invite Year 5 to take part in our CAFOD mission with the intention of moving onto the Faith in Action Award in Year 6. Year 5 will meet at the same time, but the course will be free of charge until Year 6.

There will be a limited number of places so they will be given on a first come first basis.

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to get in touch. Please fill out the form below and return it to the school office if your child would like to take part in our Fishers of Friends group.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Scott
Deputy Headteacher

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My child would like a place at our Fishers of Friends Group.

Child's Name _____ Year Group _____

Parent/Carer Signature _____

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