

Statements to Live By

Each week the children are introduced to a weekly Statement to Live By and a Trust Virtue. These are linked in themes and to the Catholic Social Teaching core values of: The Dignity of the Human Person, The Common Good, Solidarity and Subsidiarity. Out of these flows the principles of the Preferential Option for the Poor, Participation, Economic Justice and Care for our Common Home, among others.

Week	Statement	Trust Virtue	Catholic Social Teaching
15/4/24	24. I know what humility means.	Resilience	Solidarity
22/4/24	25. I know when to ask for help and who to ask for help from.	Responsibility and Self-Belief	Participation and Dignity
29/4/24	26. I can recognise comfortable and uncomfortable feelings.	Honesty	Stewardship
6/5/24	27. I know how to help others when they are in trouble.	Compassion	Dignity and Preferential Option for the Poor
13/5/24	28. I understand what trust means	Honesty and Self Belief	Subsidiarity and Peace
20/5/23	29. I try to forgive people when they hurt me.	Self-Belief and Resilience	Peace and the Common Good
3/6/24	30. I try to accept forgiveness from others	Confidence Resilience	Participation and Dignity of Common Good
10/6/24	31. I know how to show I am sorry	Compassion and Justice	Participation, Dignity, Common Good and Stewardship
17/6/24	32. I understand the importance of peace	Compassion and Justice	Subsidiarity and Solidarity,
24/6/24	33. I know what human dignity means and I show that I respect others.	Resilience and Self Belief	Common Good
1/7/24	34. I stand up for people who are being treated unfairly	Confidence, Resilience and Self-Belief	Participation, Common Good Stewardship
8/7/24	35. I notice that we are the same and we are different.	Honesty, Resilience and Self Belief	Preferential Option for the Poor
15/7/24	36. I try to be accepting of others.	All Virtues	All CST Principles

IMPORTANT DATES THIS TERM

The month of May is dedicated to Our Lady

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

(Wednesday 1st May)

As a school we will celebrate mass at St. Joseph's Church

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

(Thursday 9th May)

After his Resurrection, Jesus appeared to his disciples over a period of forty days.

Ascension Day is when we celebrate Jesus' return to his Father in Heaven.

PENTECOST SUNDAY

(Sunday 19th May)

This is the day we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit and the birthday of the Church.

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

(Sunday 26th May)

Today we celebrate our belief in the Trinity, the three persons of God: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF THE LORD

(Sunday 2nd June)

On this feast we give thanks to God for the gift of Jesus in the form of bread and wine.

THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

(Friday 7th June)

On this day we remember how much Jesus loves us all.

SS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

(Sunday 30th June)

We celebrate the lives of these important saints who helped establish the Christian Church.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWSLETTER

SUMMER TERM 2024



Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

As we return to school after Easter the Church is still celebrating this great event. The focus of this term's work in Religious Education is the role the Holy Spirit plays in our lives. We will be studying the three themes of Pentecost (Serving), Reconciliation (Inter-relating) and Universal Church (World). The children will also spend one week studying Islam. Attached is a list of important dates in the liturgical calendar for this term along with details of the themes that the children will look at each week linking to our Trust Values and Catholic Social Teaching.

PENTECOST—SERVING

Early Years	GOOD NEWS
Year 1/2	HOLIDAYS AND HOLY DAYS
Year 3/4	ENERGY
Year 5	TRANSFORMATION
Y6	WITNESS

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Talk about good news in your family and how you shared it. Ask your child to tell you the story of Pentecost and the work of the Holy Spirit.

RECONCILIATION—INTER-RELATING

Early Years	FRIENDS
Year 1/2	BEING SORRY
Year 3/4	CHOICES
Year 5	FREEDOM & RESPONSIBILITY
Y6	HEALING

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Talk together about times when you have forgiven and been forgiven. Discuss the importance of saying sorry. Look for opportunities for forgiveness and reconciliation in the day to day life of the family.

ISLAM

Pupils will study various aspects of Islam for one week. Ask them what they have been learning about.

UNIVERSAL CHURCH—WORLD

Early Years	OUR WORLD
Year 1/2	NEIGHBOURS
Year 3/4	SPECIAL PLACES
Year 5	STEWARDSHIP
Y6	COMMON GOOD

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Together, look through a family scrapbook or photograph album of a visit to a place that is special for your family. Look at a globe or an atlas. Find a special place and pray for the people of that country. Discuss how we can look after our world and support our neighbours, near and far. Talk about how we act on our Catholic Social Teaching