

Faith In Action



Year 6 are taking part in the Catholic Youth Ministry Federation (CYMFed) Faith in Action Award and are working towards earning their pin award.

The Faith in Action Award rewards the active service of young people to others and the Church, both in their local and wider community. To achieve the award, they must take part in *Three Acts Of Service* over their time in Year 6.

Acts Of Service

Each act of service and consequent Reflection point is awarded credit points. The children are hoping to be awarded at least 20 credits in order to achieve the Pin award. As part of the award, the children are keeping a journal to record their experiences and feelings during the award year. They will also be working towards a final piece of work in the Summer term. Mrs Roberts, our RE link governor will moderate the children's work and talk to them about their journey over the past year.

So far, the children have served and contributed to their local and global community through:

Readathon- raising money through a sponsored read to help buy books for children's wards in children in local hospitals.

CAFOD- raised £1175 (as a whole school) for Cafod's Walk Against Hunger

Climate Change Champions- set up a team of champions in school to raise awareness in school and in our local area. Children have attended events over weekends, set up information displays at St Mary's RC Church, lead whole school assemblies to share information and competitions, established a litter picking team around school and local residential areas.

Food Bank Friday's- contributed to the food bank donations each week and helped deliver them to our local foodbank at Bishop Auckland and Barnard Castle. Encouraged parishioners to join in our foodbank Friday's so that we can offer more each half term

Poppy Appeal- took turns to sell poppies on the drive after school for 1 week. We received a wonderful letter of thanks to say that the money we raised was the most they had ever received from a small school like St Mary's.