

Thought of the week - Rotation C - Summer 2023

Thoughts of the week are to be displayed and kept up to date in every classroom and on the hall prayer board.

The references for each week may be helpful in conducting the KS2 church assemblies/KS1 classroom assemblies. Books can be found in the staff room on the bookshelves. Abbreviations for them are as follows:

- **SSEHV1: Sathya Sai Education in Human Values Book 1**
- **SSEHV2: Sathya Sai Education in Human Values Book 2**
- **GLDBT: God's Little Devotional Book for Teens**
- **BSA: Brilliant Stories for Assemblies**
- **CA: Christian assemblies for Primary Schools**
- **SA: Scholastic Collections - Assemblies**
- **R&F :Roots and Fruits - Creative Collective Worship for Primary schools**
- **50AA: 50 Active Assemblies**

Other books that can support assemblies can be found in this box, including stories, poems and prayers.

Also a good source of Christian based assembly ideas is www.assemblies.org.uk.

SPIRITUALITY: Under SIAMS expectations we need to develop the spirituality of all pupils. One way of doing this is through questions and through the children formulating questions : the final column on the grid gives some questions.

I have also added a column that makes reference to **British Values** and **SMSC** as these need to be evidenced.

Please ensure that your assemblies are saved under:

Teacher resources » ABSubjects » RE » Collective Worship » Church Assemblies » Your initials

Meanings of the coloured cloths through this term =

Green	Used during 'Ordinary time' between the main festivals and seasons. This covers most of the year and can represent growth.
Red	Used to either mark saints' days where it represents their death as a martyr, or to represent the flames of the Holy Spirit (for Pentecost / Whitsun).
White	Represents being pure, in celebrations such as baptisms, weddings, and some funerals. Also used for celebrations either on its own or with gold. It is also used for saints who did not die as martyrs.
Gold	Key celebrations, for example Christmas Day and Easter Sunday.
Purple	Used for times of preparation and waiting, the reflective seasons. Key times are Advent and Lent.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK - **Rotation C Summer**

TERM: April - July 2023 (The suggested Christian value themes for this term are Community & Joy)

Links to St. Barnabas church calendar

Colour of cloth is written by date for you each week.

Global learning dates - you may like to look at these during your Tuesday / Thursday in class worship:

These days would be good for you to explore with your class during the Tuesday / Thursday Worship in class (if you are not following up a church calendar date etc.)

22nd April = International Earth Day Did you know that practically everything you touch, everything you eat and everything you use is made up of things that came from the Earth? From the metals in your phone to the wool in your blankets. Everything we have, everything that we are, we owe to the natural world around us. That's why it's so important to protect it. Which of Earth's gifts are you thankful for?

8th June = World Oceans Day Did you know that 94% of all the Earth's plants and animals live in the sea? Even though the oceans are so large, they are being damaged by the way we live our lives. Currently, too many fish are being pulled out of the sea and fossil fuels are making the ocean more acidic. If the oceans could talk, what do you think they would ask us to do?

Week beginning	Thought for the week	Reference Helpful assembly books can be found in the staffroom on the bookshelves	Notes British Values (democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, mutual respect) SMSC link (spiritual, moral, social, cultural)	Developing Spirituality Questions to consider and ask the children to encourage thinking
(1) 17.04.23 GOLD	Under the Lord's wings you shall take refuge; His faithfulness is a buckler and shield. You shall not fear the terror of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day. (Psalm 91:4-5).	https://www.brf.org.uk/product/the-cross-of-st-george-a-classroom-activity-for-st-georges-day/	Theme : Community <i>BV : Ind. Liberty</i> <i>SMSC : Spiritual</i> St. Georges day - April 23 rd International Earth day - April 22 nd	The legend of St. George explores the fighting and overcoming of the dragon, and reminds us of God's care. Who cares for you in our school community? Who do you care for in our school community?
(2) 24.04.23 GOLD	'If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together.' (African proverb)	See resources in ABsubjects - teacher resources - RE - Worship - Community - whole school	School Values : Respect <i>BV : Mutual Respect</i> <i>SMSC : Moral</i>	Jesus didn't try to do everything himself, but chose a team of people to work with him, people like Peter and James and John - his disciples. How could you show your faith in Jesus like the disciples did?
(3) 1.5.23 GOLD	Follow Me. I will make you fish for men! Matthew 4:18-22	See resources in ABsubjects - teacher resources - RE - Worship - Community - KS1 1 (or KS2 1)	Theme : Community <i>BV : Ind. Liberty</i> <i>SMSC : Social</i>	Jesus picked Andrew and Joseph to be his first disciples. Why did he pick them to build his community with him?
(4) 8.5.23 GOLD	I am because we are. (Ubuntu - African philosophy) (Will be revisited on 3.7.23)	Introducing the Diocese project for this year: 'Everyday Ubuntu' = see resources in ABsubjects - teacher resources - RE - Worship - Ubuntu Or ABsubjects - teacher resources - RE - Worship - Community - KS1 2 (or KS2 2)	Theme: Community <i>SMSC : Mutual respect</i>	What difference would Ubuntu make in the playground? Would people play differently together? What could Ubuntu look like in our village community? How can we make an impact together?

(5) 15.05.23 GOLD	Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever. (PSALM 107:1)	https://hosanna.church/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/k5th.pdf	Theme : Community <i>BV : Mutual Respect</i> <i>SMSC : Moral</i>	It's important to thank God for His everlasting love, as He will never leave our side. How could you thank God for his everlasting love?
(6) 22.05.23 GOLD	All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit! (Acts 2.4)	Pentecost R&F - pages 112 - 114. More assemblies for primary schools (summer term) page 16 https://www.dltk-kids.com/bible/cv/pentecost.htm https://sundayschool.works/lessons/pentecost-lesson/	School Values : Community <i>SMSC: Spiritual</i> Pentecost - 28 th May	Pentecost is important to Christians. Can you explain the story to your grown up? What does the story mean to you?
HALF TERM				
(7) 5.6.23 GREEN	May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope. (Romans 15:13)	See resources in ABsubjects - teacher resources - RE - Worship - Joy - whole school	Theme : Joy <i>BV: Ind. Liberty</i> <i>SMSC : Moral</i> <i>8th June - World oceans day</i>	How is joy linked to love and peace?
(8) 12.6.23 GREEN	Rejoice with those who have rejoiced. (Romans 12:15)	R&F - pages 174 - 177, & 240 Whoosh Bible - pages 128 - 130 (The lost sheep)	<i>MAGIC : Communication</i> <i>BV : individual liberty</i> <i>SMSC : spiritual</i>	What does joy look like to you?
(9) 19.06.23 GREEN	Rise and go; your faith has made you well. (Luke 17.11 - 11.19)	R&F - pages 212 - 215 (Jesus heals 10 men with leprosy)	Theme: Joy <i>BV : Ind. Liberty</i> <i>SMSC : Spiritual</i>	Is joy always clear to see?
(10) 26.06.23 GREEN	It is the Lord! (John 21.2 - 3.13)	R&F - pages 216 - 219 (Jesus and the enormous catch of fish)	Theme: Joy <i>BV : Mutual Respect</i> <i>SMSC : Moral</i>	How did Jesus' resurrection bring joy to others? What did joy look like in the Bible story?

<p>(11) 3.7.23 GREEN</p>	<p>Revisiting... I am because we are. (Ubuntu - African philosophy)</p>	<p>Looking back at Ubuntu once more using the resources in ABsubjects - teacher resources - RE - Worship - Ubuntu</p> <p>Or ABsubjects - teacher resources - RE - Worship - Community - KS1 2 (or KS2 2)</p>	<p>Theme : Community & Joy <i>BV : Ind. liberty</i> <i>SMSC : Moral</i></p>	<p>What Ubuntu have you done for the local village / school community? What impact have you made? How did it make you feel?</p>
<p>(12) 10.07.23 GREEN</p>	<p>Rejoice with me; I have found my lost coin. (Luke 15:8-10)</p>	<p>https://christchurchlondon.org/kids-at-home-240121/ (The parable of the Lost Coin.)</p>	<p>Theme: Joy <i>BV : Ind. Liberty</i> <i>SMSC : Spiritual</i></p>	<p>Jesus reminds us in this parable that every one of us is so precious to Him! How is joy shown in this parable?</p>
<p>(13) 17.7.23 GREEN</p>	<p>I am the light of the world. (John 8.12)</p>	<p>R&F - pages 12 - 15.</p>	<p>Theme: Joy BV: mutual respect SMSC: spiritual</p>	<p>How can you share the feeling of joy during the summer holidays?</p>