



St Andrew the Apostle Collective Worship Themes Autumn Term 2022-23

- Each half term, we will focus on one of our core values in this order: Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Care, Forgiveness & Fairness
- Assigned to each one of those core values, will also be a quotation from the bible and which will be discussed in form time with students reflecting on its meaning and with the aim of developing spiritual understanding
- IN addition to the core value, each week, students in form time will consider a key theme such as: The value of democracy

Week beginning	School value and theme Autumn 1: Trustworthiness	Key date	Christian quotation	Other quotation	Lead on Assembly / Year Group	Tutors	Events in School (Suggested not confirmed)
5 th September	Trustworthiness: New beginnings	5 th September – International Day of Charity 6 th September – National Read a Book Day	“Your beginnings will seem humble, so prosperous will your future be” – Job 8:7 “Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid; for the LORD GOD is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation.” -Isaiah 12:2	“Take the first step in faith. You don’t have to see the whole staircase, just take the first step.” Martin Luther King	AEA	What could this year mean to you? What are your hopes and expectations? How will you achieve these?	
12 th September	Trustworthiness: The value of democracy	8th September Nativity of the Mother of God Sexual Health Week	“I appeal to you, brothers, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment.” – 1 Corinthians 1:10 Joshua 1:9 "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will	“Our public life withers when only the most extreme voices get attention. Democracy breaks down when the average person feels their voice doesn’t matter.” Barack Obama	MMA/LHE/LCO	What is democracy? What would life be without democracy? Can you think of any situations where democracy has or hasn’t worked?	

			be with you wherever you go."				
19 th September	Trustworthiness: The value of peace in our communities and the world	14 th September Exaltation of the Holy Cross 19 th Youth Mental Health Day	"Blessed are the peacemakers" – Matthew 5:8 But when you ask, you must believe and not doubt, because the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind. James 1:6	Peace comes when you talk to the guy you most hate. And that's where the courage of a leader comes, because when you sit down with your enemy, you as a leader must already have very considerable confidence from your own constituency. - Desmond Tutu	Safeguarding	What do we mean by peace? How can we achieve peace? Why is peace so important in the world?	DMO Safeguarding Assembly – Going through the results of the Sexual Harassment Questionnaire
26 th September	Trustworthiness: The value of other languages	What is the Orthodox Church? 26 th -European Day of Language Bike to School Week	"There are all sorts of languages in the world, yet none of them is without meaning." – 1 Corinthians 14: 10 In God, whose word I praise— in God I trust and am not afraid. What can mere mortals do to me? Psalm 56:4	The man who does not know other languages, unless he is a man of genius, necessarily has deficiencies in his ideas. - Victor Hugo	CMA	How has language changed and evolved? Why is language so important?	
3 rd October	Trustworthiness: The value of animals	Gospel according to Luke Black History Month 7 th -National Poetry Day	"The righteous care for the needs of their animals." – Proverbs 12:10 Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you." Hebrews 13:5	I'm always pushing for human responsibility. Given that chimpanzees and many other animals are sentient and sapient, then we should treat them with respect. - Jane Goodall	JFO	In what ways do we use animals? Should we do more to care for animals? How much do you know about the origins of the meat you eat?	
10 th October	Trustworthiness: Black Lives Matter	The Power of Prayer Black History Month	We are all created in the "image" of God – Genesis 1:27 Psalm 118:8 Lord, it is so much better to trust in you to save me than to put my confidence in someone else.	Race and racism is a reality that so many of us grow up learning to just deal with. But if we ever hope to move past it, it can't just be on people of colour to deal with it. It's up to all of us – Black, white, everyone – no matter how well-meaning we think we might be, to do the honest, uncomfortable work of rooting it out. It starts with	Safeguarding	Why is it so important to have a Black History Month? How much do you know about Black History? What is the goal of Black History Month?	MHD – Assembly on Equality relating to BLM/BHM



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				self-examination and listening to those whose lives are different from our own. It ends with justice, compassion, and empathy that manifests in our lives and on our streets. – Michelle Obama		
17th October	Trustworthiness: The value of letting go	St Demetrius 26th Oct 17 th : International Day for the eradication of Poverty	“Father, forgive them, they do not know what they do.” – Luke 23: 34 Proverbs 16:3 Before you do anything, put your trust totally in God and not in yourself. Then every plan you make will succeed.	It’s one of the greatest gifts you can give yourself, to forgive. Forgive everybody. – Maya Angelou	LCO	What is forgiveness? Why is being able to forgive a strength? Who benefits from forgiveness?
31st October	Trustworthiness: The value of helping those less fortunate than ourselves	1st November – All Saints Day (Western Christianity) Stress Awareness Week	“God will never forget the needy.” – Psalm 9: 18 Psalm 37:5 Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him, and he will act.	Children need to get a high-quality education, avoid violence and the criminal-justice system, and gain jobs. But they deserve more. We want them to learn not only reading and math but fairness, caring, self-respect, family commitment, and civic duty. – Colin Powell	CMA	Is poverty restricted to other countries? What do you do to help? How else can we help those less fortunate? Tips on reducing stress on the boards around school
7th November	Respect: The value of telling the truth	11 th November – Remembrance Sunday/Day 13 th November – World Kindness Day 10 th : World Children's Day	“Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth.” – 1 John 3: 18 Matthew 7:12 12 “So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets.	Three things cannot be long hidden: the sun, the moon, and the truth. – Buddha	Safeguarding	Why is truth so important? How can truth be changed or distorted by authority? How do view truth within religions? <i>DMO – Assembly: Respecting Ourselves and Respecting Others (World Kindness Day)</i>
14th November	Respect: The value of honouring the sacrifice of others	Anti-Bullying Week – 14th –18th Nov.	“Greater love has no one than this, to lay down one’s life for	“They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old: Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. / At	JFO	Have you ever given up anything for someone? Odd Sock Day – Monday 14 November

			<p>one's friends." – John 15: 13</p> <p>Philippians 2:3 3 Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves.</p>	<p>the going down of the sun and in the morning, We will remember them." - Laurence Binyon</p>		<p>How much do you demonstrate gratitude for the sacrifice others have made? How are you marking Remembrance day this year?</p>	
<p>21st November</p>	<p>Respect: The value of all humans as important</p>	<p>21st Nov - Entrance of the Mother of God into the Temple</p> <p>29th November – Advent begins (E.O)</p> <p>25th-White Ribbon Day</p>	<p>"There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus." – Galatians 3: 28</p> <p>Exodus 20:12 "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you."</p>	<p>When you take care of yourself, you're a better person for others. When you feel good about yourself, you treat others better. - Solange Knowles</p>	<p>MMA/LHE</p>	<p>What rights do we all deserve to have? How do you demonstrate your commitment to human rights? What else can we do more?</p>	
<p>28th November</p>	<p>Respect: The value of starting again</p>	<p>30th November – St Andrew's Day</p> <p>2nd: International Day for rh abolition of Slavery</p>	<p>Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past." – Isaiah 43: 18</p> <p>Peter 3:15 But in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect.</p>	<p>Do not be embarrassed by your failures, learn from them and start again. - Richard Branson</p>	<p>Safeguarding</p>		<p><i>MHD: Assembly – Self-esteem/confidence - how to believe in yourself</i></p>
<p>5th December</p>	<p>Respect: The value of making good decisions</p>	<p>Feast Day of St Nicholas</p> <p>5th: International Day of persons with disabilities</p>	<p>"Jesus saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen.¹⁷"Come, follow me," Jesus said...¹⁸ At once they left their nets and followed him" – Mark 1: 16-18</p> <p>John 14:15</p>	<p>"You can't make decisions based on fear and the possibility of what might happen." — Michelle Obama</p>	<p>KBE</p>	<p>What good decisions have you made? How do you know it was a good decision? What decisions would you like advice about for the future?</p>	



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			<p>"If you love me, you will keep my commandments." (What are those commandments?)</p>			
<p>12th December</p>	<p>Respect: The value of equality – helping the needy at Christmas</p>	<p>25th December - Christmas</p> <p>12th: International Health Coverage Day</p>	<p>"If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled," without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that?" – James 2: 15-17</p> <p>Luke 14:10 "But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher.' Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you."</p>	<p>"We should give as we would receive, cheerfully, quickly, and without hesitation; for there is no grace in a benefit that sticks to the fingers." - Seneca</p>	<p>AEA</p>	<p>As we approach Christmas, how much are you focusing on yourself, or others? Which people most need our support over Christmas? What can you do to help?</p>

*Nativity of Christ 25th Dec

Notes:

- SLT order is not the same in both rounds – as I have at times tried to link you to an area of expertise e.g. KB – MLK day/Black History Month ; MM – Science Week – feel free to swap around!
- E.O means Eastern Orthodox
- Assembly leaders should try to make reference to the Key Date as that is often the catalyst for the theme of the week, especially if it is Greek Orthodox.
- Assembly leaders should always aim to ensure there is a religious element within each assembly.
- Support needed from Greek Orthodox staff/ community with marking key events