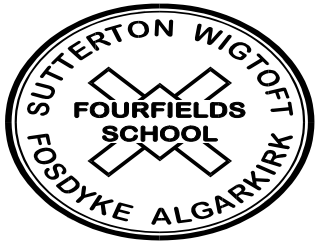


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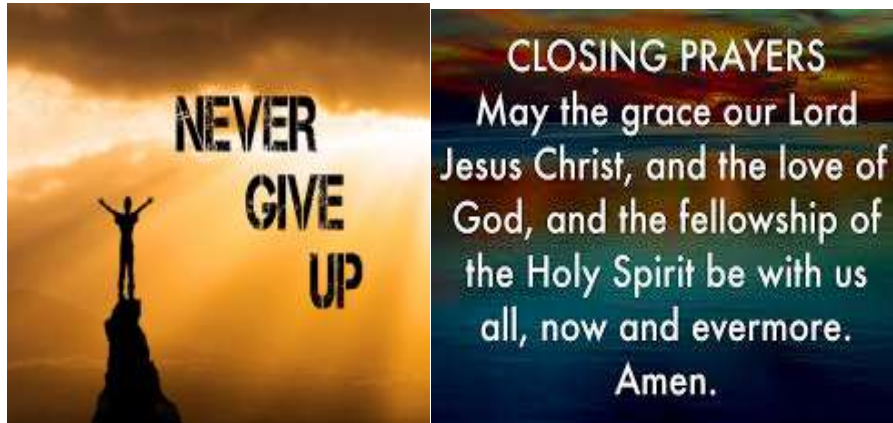
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Collective Worship led by Open the Book 9:00 – 9:20 am Sutterton 2:45 – 3:05 pm Swineshead	In class reflection and worship (see plans below)	In class reflection and worship (see plans below)	'Little Church' led by Father Mark 9:00 – 9:20 am Sutterton 2:40 – 3:00 pm Swineshead	Celebration Assembly and worship together supported by the Little FiSH 9:00 – 9:40 am Sutterton 2:30 – 3:10 pm Swineshead

The Church Year starts at Advent. In church different colours represent different seasons.

Purple is used for times of deep thinking and reflection. It is also sometimes used at adult funerals.	Red is used for saints' days who have died as martyrs and also represents the flame of the Holy Spirit.	Green is used to represent quiet growth during the time between festivals and seasons.	Gold used for special occasions.	White represents purity (as opposed to sin which is scarlet). It often represents a season of celebration rather than a day.	On these two days of the year the church is stripped bare of all decoration and flowers.
Used during Advent and Lent	Pentecost/Whitsun Martyr's saints' days	Used throughout Ordinary Time.	Used for special days of celebration, such as Easter Day and Christmas	Used in the seasons of Easter and Christmas and for saints who were not martyred.	Good Friday and Holy Saturday

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Easter to Pentecost	
Walking with St Paul	
Week 1	Waiting well no matter what
Week 2	Paul: never give up
Week 3	Paul's good advice
Week 4	Paul's pictures – Armour
Week 5	Paul's pictures – what love is like
Week 6	Paul's Prayers and Blessings – The Grace and others



Order of Worship – Gather, Engage, Respond and	
Send	
✠	Altar is ready for worship – coloured cloth to reflect liturgical calendar, cross, Bible, candle and any other relevant focal point. Music on entry and departure.
✠	Calm, welcoming and reflective atmosphere.
✠	The Trinity candle ready for lighting: “We light these candles in the name of Father, Son and the Holy Spirit.” “What did Jesus say?” “I am the light of the World.”
✠	Prayer and Bible reading led by Little FiSH at the start of Celebration Assembly.

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Week 1

Waiting well no matter what

Tuesday

Wait patiently even in sad times

Not all our waiting has a happy ending like the one for the disciples yesterday. Some people have to wait when someone they love is ill.

Jesus' disciples had to say goodbye to him when he went back to be with God. Some of the disciples might have thought that Jesus was going to be with them for longer. The Bible says that, as the disciples were watching, Jesus was lifted up and a cloud hid him from their sight and that, as he was going, the disciples were looking into the sky (the Church celebrates this as the Ascension of Jesus). Do you think that the disciples were happy or sad?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tRTRABhJTbo>

Wednesday

Wait patiently and something amazing might happen

Before Jesus left them, he told them that they must wait in Jerusalem to 'receive a promise' but Jesus did not say what the promise was going to be. I wonder how they would have felt when they heard this. I wonder how you feel when someone says that you have to wait for a secret surprise.

Read the account of Pentecost (this event happened fifty days after Easter Sunday. I wonder what you think the promise was. I wonder how the disciples would have felt about the flames and what they would have said to each other.

<https://www.artbible.info/art/large/949.html>

<http://www.titian.net/pentecost/>

Chinese artist He Qi

<https://www.bibleodyssey.org/image-gallery/holy-spirit-coming/>

Take time to be thankful for all the good surprises that come your way and think of how you could surprise others – not necessarily with things that cost money but with kindness

Hymn

Ain't No Mountain High Enough

[Ain't no mountain high enough - Sing Up \(youtube.com\)](#)

Prayer of the week

Dear God

Thank you that you help us to wait because the waiting for the seasons always brings us joy and waiting can also teach us patience. AMEN

Amen

Bible reading

Acts 1:9-11

⁹ After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight.

¹⁰ They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. ¹¹ "Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven."

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Week 2
Paul: never give up

Tuesday

Saul becomes Paul on the road to Damascus

This is one of the most dramatic stories in the whole Bible. It resulted in the conversion of the person who would become a faithful apostle of Christ and the most famous Christian missionary ever. Make sure there is 'drama' – either through your retelling, a presentation through live drama or

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9eRXq-cKmr0>

What sort of person was Saul before he met Jesus on the road to Damascus? How did he change? I wonder why Saul changed his name to Paul? I wonder if you know any other stories of people who changed when they met Jesus. I wonder if you can think of some of the different emotions that Saul went through as he decided to follow Jesus. I wonder if you can guess what Paul decided to do once he was well again.

We might not have the same experience as Saul, but we all have to learn to deal with big changes. I wonder if there are events that have brought changes for you. Moving house or school? Welcoming a new family member?

The Bible tells us that God never changes: Hebrew 13:8. Say a prayer thanking God for this promise which is about the same Jesus that met Saul on his journey and promises to be on our journey with us.

Wednesday

Lystra: Paul in danger, never giving up

If you want to see how far Paul travelled to spread the good news (gospel) of Jesus,

<https://www.wednesdayintheword.com/pauls-missionary-journeys/>

When Paul was on his travels (for more than 20 years), he often met opposition and, sometimes, violence.

When he went to Lystra, he healed a crippled man. I wonder if this reminds you of any other episodes in the life of Jesus. Why do you think the people thought that Paul and his travelling companion Barnabas were Zeus and Hermes.



If pupils have studied the Greeks and Romans, they may have some ideas. Remember that the people had not heard about Jesus before. I wonder why Paul tries to talk to them about God who made all of creation and gives them their crops and food. I wonder if this is a message that would make sense to them as they had gods that they believed had done this. Paul was saying that he had good news about God whom he believed had done all these things for them. Not everyone understood what Paul was saying and some of them got very angry and threw stones at him (a common punishment at the time). They thought they had killed him but Paul survived and resumed his missionary travels with Barnabas.

Father Mark is not in school

Hymn

Believe

[Believe \(youtube.com\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9eRXq-cKmr0)

Prayer of the week

Serenity Prayer

God, give me grace to accept with serenity
the things that cannot be changed,
Courage to change the things
which should be changed,
and the Wisdom to distinguish
the one from the other
Father God, help me live this day to the full,
following the example you set.

Jesus help me to give myself away to others,
being kind to everyone I meet.

Spirit, help me to love the lost, be hospitable
and stand up for truth and justice.

Amen

Bible reading

Acts 9: 17-19

¹⁷ Then Ananias went to the house and entered it. Placing his hands on Saul, he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord—Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you were coming here—has sent me so that you may see again and be filled with the Holy Spirit." ¹⁸ Immediately, something like scales fell from Saul's eyes, and he could see again. He got up and was baptized, ¹⁹ and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

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<p>Week 3 Pauls good advice</p>	<p><u>Tuesday</u> Keeping in touch <i>From Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus, by the command of God our Saviour and Christ Jesus our hope. To Timothy, a true son to me because you believe. Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.</i> These words were written by St Paul in the first century CE. What sort of a document do you think they come from? (a letter – ‘Dear Timothy’). Prepare a set of short letters that have different purposes and ask pupils to come and read them out and guess why they were written https://www.wisebread.com/22-reasons-to-write-a-letter Include one to encourage and one which solves a problem.</p> <p>After Paul was imprisoned in Rome, he still wanted to keep in contact with all the people he had met on his missionary journeys. There was no telephone or email, only letters, which took many months to arrive. Paul gave solutions to problems and encouragement in his letters. There are 13 of Paul’s letter in the New Testament.</p> <p>Timothy was young (Paul says he is a true son to him, but he was not his real son). He was a leader in his church in Ephesus but not everyone agreed with him and they were not living by following Jesus’ example and in the ways that Paul had encouraged them to do when he had visited. I wonder how you feel when other people seem to be doing the wrong things? I wonder if you try and help them to solve their problems?</p> <p><u>Wednesday</u> Do not argue! I wonder what you get into arguments about and whether you manage to sort them out. No matter how young or old we are, we will argue with other people sometimes. That is what was happening in the church where Timothy was a leader. So he wrote to Paul and said ‘What do I do with the people who argue all the time?’ Paul wrote back – I wonder what you think Paul might have written in his reply to Timothy. I wonder what advice you would have given to Timothy. Paul said <i>Stay away from foolish and stupid arguments. You know that such arguments grow into bigger arguments.</i> I wonder what Paul meant. I wonder if you have ever been in an argument which has grown into a bigger argument. Pray for help to think before using words that might start an argument and wisdom for times when we need to try and resolve an argument. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ihhvm6eLWZI</p>	<p>Hymn Oh Happy Days Sister Act 2 - Oh Happy Day (Karaoke With Lyrics) (youtube.com)</p> <p>Prayer of the Week <i>Thank you, God, for everything that the Bible teaches that is able to make us wise. Help us to read it through ‘wise’ and ‘open’ eyes and ears so that we learn more about you and about the world around us.</i> AMEN</p> <p>Bible reading I Timothy 1:1-2 1 Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the command of God our Savior and of Christ Jesus our hope, 2 To Timothy my true son in the faith: Grace, mercy and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.</p>
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Week 4
Paul's pictures – Armour

Tuesday

Stand Firm and Persevere: Wear the belt of truth



This week looks at a picture which Paul painted, thinking about the time in which lived - where Roman soldiers were a common sight. Pupils need to understand that it is not about real fighting like a soldier in an army but fighting for what is right and true. It would be useful to set the context of this time in history. Jesus and Paul lived in the time of the Roman Empire. I wonder what you know about the Romans. I wonder if you know what a Roman soldier looked like.
<http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/romans/armour.html>

I wonder why Paul chose the picture of the Roman soldier to help the Ephesian church to understand more about the good news of Jesus. I wonder what the people in the church needed to 'fight' against. I wonder if there are clues when we see what the different parts of the armour represent.

I wonder what we could do with the belt of truth. I wonder if there is a time when you needed the belt of truth. Use some images of times when people might be tempted not to be truthful. Invite everyone to consider what they might have done.

Wednesday

Stand Firm and Persevere: Wear the shoes of peace



The Christians in Ephesus were small in number and needed to spread the good news of Jesus to all those around them. Paul gives them the important job of spreading the gospel of peace.

Look at some different sorts of shoes. I wonder what the purpose of these different sorts of shoes might be. I wonder what sort of shoes a Roman soldier might have worn. I wonder how they helped him to be a better soldier. Our shoes help us to do the best job when we wear them for the purpose for which they were made.

Paul urges soldiers who wear the shoes as part of the armour of God to spread the gospel (good news) of peace. I wonder how we can do that in our lives. I wonder how we can spread the gospel of peace in our local community, country and world.

Sometimes it seems that we cannot have an impact on peace in the world – but we can pray

This might help to show the school how to pray for peace in the world

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UoEyJT-Rkjo>

Hymn

O Shine Jesus Shine

[Shine Jesus Shine \(worship video w/ lyrics\) \(youtube.com\)](#)

Prayer of the Week

Thank you, God, that you invite us to wear the belt of truth. Help us to be true to you and true to each other today

Bible reading

Ephesians 6: 14

¹⁴ Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place,

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Week 5
Paul's pictures – what love is like

Tuesday

Love is patient and kind

I wonder how you showed love to others after our worship yesterday/earlier in the week.

Add 'Love is patient' and 'Love is kind' to your display

The letter that Paul wrote explains the sort of love that he is urging the people in Corinth to show to one another.

Two short clips that focus on 'patience'

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qgeuGgODgv4>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b5mbIZ98q1E>

Alternatively, you could present your own scenario.

If we think about patience, I wonder what it means if 'love is patient'. I wonder if you can think of times when you have been patient because you love someone. I wonder if there are other times when you have shown love that is kind.

Take some time to be still, calm and quiet as these ways of 'being' can help with being patient – if you can be patient, then you have more chance of showing love that is patient.

Wednesday

Love is not selfish, and does not become angry easily

I wonder if we can think of any more things that 'Love is not.....'.

Explore selfishness through some of the stories that pupils know already or through

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PPu2JeWay3U>

or similar

Pose a scenario where something happens and stop it where the person could get angry or take another course.

I wonder how we can make sure that we are never selfish or angry towards those we love. I wonder how we make sure that we show the right kind of love to everyone that we meet. Love that is..... and love that is not.....

These are the words of I Corinthians 13 spoken by children

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oaKnASnoWUQ>

I wonder what sort of love you will show to others today.

Hymn

He's Got the Whole World

[He's got the whole world in his hands - Sing Up \(youtube.com\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qgeuGgODgv4)

Prayer of the Week

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

AMEN

Bible reading

I Corinthians 13:4-7

⁴ Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. ⁵ It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. ⁶ Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. ⁷ It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

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Week 6
Paul's Prayers and Blessings – The Grace and others

Tuesday

Never stop praying – always and everywhere

Never stop praying.

I wonder where we can pray in school.

I wonder what we are doing when we say or write a prayer. Remember that we can also offer prayers in our hearts and minds. Or we can use time to reflect on what we have been invited to consider.

Paul prayed no matter what – all his letters begin and end with prayers and have prayers in between. Instead of saying 'Dear' to begin his letters, he says things like 'I thank God for the help you gave me while I preached'.

He says that we should never stop praying. I wonder what he means by that. There are lots of other things we have to fit into our lives. I wonder if he means that we should think about praying in different ways as much as we can to help us in our lives. This is an opportunity to remind pupils about different sorts of prayers, using the ideas of teaspoon prayers t-s-p thanks, sorry, please

<https://www.pinterest.co.uk/pin/111886371966103681/>

I wonder if you can think of a time when you have used the t or s or p prayer to help you during a school day.

Wednesday

The Grace

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. AMEN

I wonder if you have heard or said this prayer before. I wonder if it reminds you of anything you have learnt about in your RE lessons. Make sure pupil explore the idea of the Trinity here.

The grace is the amazing love that Jesus gives even though we do not deserve it. The love of God comes to us as a father's love to his children. The fellowship is the gift of the Holy Spirit helping us to live in unity with each other.

Some Christians say this to each other as a blessing (a wish for happiness) especially at the end of a service or a meeting. Invite the community to say the words to each other. I wonder why it is important to say words of blessing to each other. I wonder if it made you feel cared for.

Model this invitational prayer idea for the day: Blessing others

https://www.faithandworship.com/blessings_and_benedictions.html

https://www.lords-prayer-words.com/famous_prayers/may_the_road_rise_up_to_meet_you.html

Hymn

You Raise Me Up

[Westlife - You Raise Me Up Lyrics \(HD\) \(youtube.com\)](#)

Prayer of the Week

The peace of God be in our heart

The grace of God be in our words

The love of God be in our hands

The joy of God be in our soul and in the song that our life sings.

Amen

Bible reading

I Thessalonians 16:17

¹⁶ Rejoice always, ¹⁷ pray continually, ¹⁸ give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.