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| **Week Beginning** | **Monday**  **Head teacher assembly**  **Virtual** | **Tuesday**  **Singing Assembly**  **Sharon Bruce**  **KS1 & 2** | **Wednesday**  **Church member**  **1,2,3, ES**  **4,5,6 ES** | **Thursday**  **SpaceMakers**  **Reflection**  **Candle Time** | **Friday**  **Celebration**  **Virtual** | Jennett's Park**Rainbow Value / Quote** |
| 1st January  2024 |  | Professional  Training Day | Roots & Fruits pg 175 – 179 ES **Running the Race of Life**  Resources:  -3 candles and a Bible open on the verse Hebrew 12.1-2  -Worship cloth  -Trust poster page 175  -A trophy/shield or medal  -Certificates of achievement that required perseverance  -Resources to make medals  -12 cards, one with each letter of the word  .Perseverance’.  -Talk partners  Calling the Disciples | New beginnings/ repentance  (turn’ or ‘re-turn’ and starting afresh)  SpaceMakers  Stilling- aware of surroundings and the self- breathing techniques  Big Question – Can you think of a target or goal which will require perseverance? | Rainbow and Owl Assembly  KS1 &KS2  Contemplative Toolkit-  Blessing- Reflection on self and others | “Every second brings a fresh beginning, every hour holds a new promise, every night our dream can bring hope and every day is what you choose to make it.”  “Epiphany day should be every day. When you realise something good that makes you light up and feel better, scoop it up and let it brighten up your day.” Dimis Chiviri |
| 8th January  2024 | Roots & Fruits pg 180– 182 **Keeping Going Against All Odds**  Resources:  -3 candles and a Bible open on today’s story, Matthew 2.13-15 Hebrew 12.1-2  -Worship cloth  -Crib figures of Mary, Joseph, Jesus and a donkey.  -Picture of The Flight to Egypt by James Tissot  SpaceMakers  Stilling- aware of surroundings and the self- breathing techniques | SpaceMakers  Noticing-  attend quietly, reflectively and prayerfully  consolation  desolation | Epiphany blessings | SpaceMakers  Mending-  Helping us to forgive others, and importantly ourselves in order to be freer. Forgiveness is a central theme of Christianity, and it is a liberating and universal human need.  Design:  A 10/15 minute weekly practice | Rainbow and Owl Assembly  KS1 &KS2  SpaceMakers  Blessing- Reflection on self and others  SpaceMakers  Blessing  SpaceMakers  Five finger Examen | “Sometimes life is hard. Sometimes we suffer. Sometimes it seems as though we will never merge from the dark fog we’re under. Yet despite those dark times, God is still good, and he gives us so much to find hope and joy in”  When you hold onto it tightly, no one else can see it, no one else can help, no one else can take it away. Imagine that you could give these worries to someone who really cares for you. Discuss ways of helping those worries e.g talking and release the worries into a box. How does that make you feel?  A wise religious man once said, “Pray, and let God worry.”  Christians believe that God loves people, knows them completely, is more powerful that any worry and is always there to listen. |
| 15th January  2024 | Roots & Fruits pg 183– 185 **Doing the Right Thing**  Resources:  -3 candles and a Bible open on today’s story, Jeremiah 38.1-13  -Worship cloth  -Cut out clothes shapes on a washing line  -8 children to act in role as Jeremiah, 2 Kings, 2 soldiers, 2 officials and Ebed- Melech  -Paper rolled into a scroll.  -Music to play during mediation  SpaceMakers  Stilling | SpaceMakers  Noticing | GM - How to pray – Lord’s prayer  SpaceMakers  Dwelling | SpaceMakers  Mending  Big Question – When is it important to do the Right Thing even if it is hard to do? | Rainbow and Owl Assembly  KS1 &KS2  SpaceMakers  Blessing  SpaceMakers  - Five finger Examen | “With each sunrise we are given, a chance for a new beginning.”  “Endurance is one of the most difficult disciplines, but it is to the one who endures that the final victory comes.” Buddha  Suggested activity:  Pick up a mask. If you want to, hold it in front of your face.  Do you talk and act differently around different people? Do you ever say or do things because you want to be liked, but deep down you know that you’re not being yourself? Do you sometimes wear a mask to fit in, to belong? If you want to, write or draw something about the way you talk and act when you're not being yourself. Then, on the other side, write or draw something about who you are – the real you - when you’re being yourself. |
| 22nd January  2024 | Roots & Fruits pg 186– 189 **Meeting a personal challenge**  Resources:  -3 candles and a Bible open on today’s verse, Philippians 4.13  -Worship cloth  -A map  - A placard for everyone to read ‘If you can’t go UNDER it, if you can’t go OVER it, the Griff you must go THROUGH it!”  -3 Children to lead the prayer  SpaceMakers  Stilling | SpaceMakers  Noticing | ES  Work in the community  SpaceMakers  Dwelling | SpaceMakers  Mending | Rainbow and Owl Assembly  KS1 &KS2  SpaceMakers  Blessing  SpaceMakers  - Five finger Examen | Suggested activity:  Encourage chn to think about someone or something that they are thankful for/ love, e.g. family, friends, pets, hobbies, sports, musical instruments etc. When they have thought of something, encourage them to make a model of it e.g play doh, drawing, role-play and could present it to the class. |
| 29th January  2024 | Roots & Fruits pg 190– 192 **Encouraging others to keep going**  Resources:  -3 candles and a Bible open on today’s verse, Acts 11.24  -Worship cloth  -A netball  - Boy and girl puppets and puppet theatre to hide behind  SpaceMakers  Stilling | Traditional hymns for Candlemas:  -Christ be our light  -This little light of mine  SpaceMakers  Noticing | GM  Life is like a long race **Hebrews 12:1-11**. Questions for discussion  Have you ever run/biked/swum in a long race? If so, what was it like? How did you feel at the end?  Were there spectators?  What pushed you to finish, even though you were tired? In Hebrews 12:1-2, what is living the Christian life compared to? What would it be like to run a race wearing a heavy backpack? Or trying to race with your legs tangled in a rope?  What could “hinder” us from honouring God with our lives? What do elite athletes do to help them perform their best?  What does the Bible suggest that we focus on to help us with our goal of living the Christian life to honour God? Why might God allow difficult things to happen to us in our lives?  What kind of discipline do you receive from your parents? When we are disciplined by God, what are we to do? What does God’s discipline produce in our lives?  SpaceMakers  Dwelling | SpaceMakers  Mending  Big Question – Can we set a challenge for our class to achieve each day for the last week of term? | Rainbow and Owl Assembly  KS1 &KS2  SpaceMakers  Blessing  SpaceMakers  - Five finger Examen | “There is a voice that doesn’t use words. Listen.” Rumi  “Without inner peace, outer peace is impossible.”  Suggested activity:  Set up a cosy space in the classroom, encourage chn to take time to reflect. Be Still The word ‘holy’ simply means ‘set apart’.  For hundreds of years, people have discovered that being set apart from other people helps them to be more aware of themselves and also of God. In our busy world, this isn’t easy.  This is a place to be still. This is a ‘holy’ space. There is no need to talk, no need to do anything. Just ‘be’. |
| 5th February  2024 | Roots & Fruits pg 193– 196 **Epiphany**  **Pushing Through**  Resources:  -3 candles and a Bible open on today’s story, Matthew 2:1-12  -Worship cloth  - 3 crib figures of 3 Wise Men  -3 collages of the ‘Kings’ inspired by Charles Williams’ poem  -3 caskets representing the gifts bought by the 3 Wise Men  -3 children who have researched the significance of Gold, Frankincense and myrrh  paceMakers  Stilling | Shrove Tuesday – Explain the significance of ‘Pancake Day’ and being the day before Lent begins.  SpaceMakers  Noticing | ES  SpaceMakers  Dwelling | SpaceMakers  Mending  Big Question – What is the significance of Ash Wednesday? Discussion about Lent and what we would like to do – give up or do something good each day. | Rainbow and Owl Assembly  KS1 &KS2  SpaceMakers  Blessing  SpaceMakers  - Five finger Examen | “Love conquers all things.” |

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