

Together in Worship

Themes and resources



Summer 2016



Colour	Season Mood	When used
White	Joy and Rejoice	Christmas, Easter, Epiphany, Ascension, All Saints
Purple	Thinking deeply and waiting	Advent Lent
Green	A time to grow	Ordinary days (not celebrations)
Red	Sad times and certain Joyful times	Ordinary days (not celebrations)
Gold	Joy and celebration	Christmas, Easter, Epiphany, Ascension, All Saints

Date	Themes, objectives, websites and resources	Church Season and Festivals
Tuesday, 12th April	COURAGE	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> When Jesus had died and then rose from the dead it was a difficult time for the disciples, they had to be courageous. Help children to choose to be courageous and do the right thing, not the easy thing 		
1)	David and Goliath To reflect upon doing the right thing http://www.barnabasinschools.org.uk/courage-a-whole-school-assembly-outline/	White Eastertide
2)	Daniel – Courage to stand alone http://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/2256/courage-to-stand-alone	
3)	Jesus calms the storm – what we can do when we are frightened http://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/695/being-brave Hymns He'll Be There Don't go listening to lies Believe	
Monday, 18th April	KINDNESS	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jesus showed people the importance of being kind. He said "Love your neighbour as much as yourself" People asked, "Who is my neighbour?" 		

1)	Well prepared – small acts of kindness can have great impact http://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/2531/little-things	Gold
2)	Helping others – the story of the Good Samaritan http://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/2330/good-samaritans	
3)	Kindness – without getting anything back http://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/1017/acts-of-kindness-and-love Hymns A little bit of kindness Brighter Day Tomorrow Small part of the world	

Monday, 25th April FAITHFULNESS

- God loves us at all times. He knows what we are and what we can be. He is a friend who promises to stick by us forever.
- God is faithful: God is the one who can always be trusted and has not let down humanity, even when it lets him down.
- God wants to try and engender that kind of faithfulness within everyone, and so faithfulness is a fruit, a quality that the Spirit can give us.

1)	Faithfulness – fruit of the spirit http://www.assemblies.org.uk/sec/1308/fruits-of-the-spirit-faithfulness	White 23 rd Jewish Passover 23 rd St George's Day
2)	Surprising St George – George is faithful to the people in the village and faithful to God: http://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/776/surprising-st-george	
3)	A faithful friend – a parable about being faithful and having trust. http://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/771/faithful-friend Hymns Happiness is not... Thank you God Seek Ye First My Lighthouse	

Tuesday 3rd May FRIENDSHIP

- Christians celebrate the time when Jesus went back up into heaven, called Ascension because he 'ascended'. Ascension occurs 40 days after Easter, on a Thursday, and many churches hold special services to celebrate this event in the life of Jesus.
- Jesus' friends, his disciples, had only memories of their time with him. It is from what they remembered and told others or wrote themselves that we have the accounts of Jesus' life today in the New Testament.

1)	Ascension Day http://www.barnabasinschools.org.uk/ascension-day-a-whole-school-assembly-presentation/	Gold 5 th Ascension Day
2)	Ascension Day http://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/1656/ascension-day-jesus-says-goodbye	
3)	The Easter story and ascension at the end http://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/542/easter-fingers-and-thumbs Hymns Living and Learning We're in it together I'll never find another you	

Monday, 9th May THE POOR

- In Jesus, God came as a poor man, lived as a poor man, and died as a poor man. He is good news to the poor. And as such, Jesus cared deeply about the impoverished.
- "Truly I say to you that with difficulty a rich person will enter into the kingdom of heaven! And again I say to you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than a rich person into the kingdom of God" ([Matthew 19:23–24](#)).

1)	Thinking about the poor – how can we help? http://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/1068/canes-and-imagination	White
2)	Thinking about the poor across the world http://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/1018/aspects-of-malawi-2-at-home-in-malawi	
3)	St Clare http://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/2272/christian-rebels-st-clare Hymns Sometimes I wonder Put on a Smile Streets of London	

Monday, 16th May	ENCOURAGEMENT
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- The first followers of Jesus encouraged one another (Acts 2.42 and 44)
- Jesus also promised his friends that they would be filled with the Holy Spirit – the ‘helper’ or ‘encourager’ (John 15.26). Pumped up with encouragement, their and others’ belief grew and a new community of faith took shape.

1)	Encourage each other http://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/1969/pump-up-one-another	Red 15 th Pentecost
2)	Lights in the world - Jesus’ disciple John said Jesus was the light of the world. http://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/1963/electric-pentecost	
3)	Fire! – how the Holy spirit turns sadness into joy http://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/559/fire-an-assembly-for-pentecost Hymns You can never be too grateful A little bit of kindness Believe	

Monday, 23rd May	HOPE
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- When our hope is in God, we know He will come to us, just as surely as we know the sun will come up in the morning.
- Help us to bring hope where there is despair in our world.

1)	Hope of the Trinity – how the 3 parts of the Trinity help us http://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/2325/the-trinity--the-triangle-of-hope Build	Gold 22 nd Trinity Sunday
2)	Our Hope in God – a story about King David http://www.barnabasinschools.org.uk/hope/	
3)	True Hope – God is a true hope http://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/289/hope Hymns These simple things Our Father In Christ Alone	

Half term

Monday, 6th June	COMPASSION
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- Jesus came at a turbulent time, where nations had been at war with each other for many years. Yet Jesus taught people not just to love their friends, but to love even their enemies.
- “And Jesus went forth and saw a great multitude, and was moved with compassion towards them, and he healed their sick.” Matthew 14 : 14.
- There came to him a leper, and when he saw him his heart was moved with compassion.

<p>1)</p> <p>2)</p> <p>3)</p>	<p>Creation – treating the world with respect: http://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/335/respect</p> <p>Others – respecting others http://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/720/dont-be-mean</p> <p>Difference – respect each other http://www.barnabasinschools.org.uk/the-rainbow-that-nearly-wasnt-a-story-about-working-together-and-appreciating-difference/</p> <p>Hymns Everywhere around me The School Rule Song</p>	<p>Green 27th Wimbledon starts</p>
<p>Monday, 4th July LOVE</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John 3:16, "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." • Because GOD IS LOVE, I know He loves me no matter what, and He helps me to love others as I love myself. 		
<p>1)</p> <p>2)</p>	<p>God's love for us http://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/2023/love-fruits-of-the-spirit</p> <p>Love is..... http://www.barnabasinschools.org.uk/love/ You are my sunshine! http://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/1680/sunshine</p> <p>Hymns Love the Lord your God He'll be there I'll never find another you</p>	<p>Green 4th American Independence Day 7-9th Eid al fitr</p>
<p>Monday, 11th July MOVING ON</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper and not to harm you, to give you a future and a hope. • Psalm 119:110 "Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path." 		
<p>Something new http://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/1998/moving-on Life is a journey http://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/1695/travelling-on</p> <p>Hymns Change and Grow Cause to be grateful My Lighthouse</p>		
<p>Monday, 18th July CHANGE</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens (Ecclesiastes 3:1) • Change is a part of existence and is experienced by everyone • We just have to hold onto the hope that God is in control. He may be changing the situation or changing us. Sometimes good things may fall to pieces so that better things can fall into place. 		
<p>1)</p>	<p>Nelson Mandela changed things - Inspire change http://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/1995/mandela I can make a change – <i>the small things we can do can make a difference</i> http://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/919/it-can-start-with-me Change happens – <i>looking at next steps</i> http://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/575/changing-seasons-an-assembly-for-leavers</p> <p>Hymns Leavers' Song Hip Hip Hooray</p>	<p>Green 18th Mandela day</p>
<p>Schools Close Thursday, 21st July???</p>		