

Our School Value this half term is SERVICE

At Horsell C of E Junior School we believe that we are all 'made in the image of God'. Through a commitment to **Christian values** and **high academic aspirations**, we strive to provide a **rich** and **inclusive** education for every member of our school **family**.

This half term we are working to demonstrate the value of Service. Service can be demonstrated both in school and at home. The Bible mentions the importance of serving others and demonstrates various acts of service.

In School we can demonstrate Service by:

- 1. **Volunteer Opportunities:** We have many opportunities to assist within the wider life of the school, whether it is through a role of responsibility in Year 6 or helping in 'Open the Book', tidying up, classroom jobs or even litter picking. In Mark 10:45 it says, 'For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.'
- 2. **Helping Peers:** Each day you will be sat with a table group or learning partner. Service is a great way to demonstrate our A,B,C by articulating your thoughts, being brave by asking or collaborating together to help your peers succeed in the task. In **Galatians 5:13 it teaches us to** "Serve one another humbly in love."

At home we can demonstrate Service by:

1. Helping Family Members: Why not continue your 40 Acts of Kindness at home? You could try and help a younger sibling with their homework, listen to them read, ask you parent/ carer if you can help set the table for dinner or even make you bed or tidy your room without being asked. In the bible it encourages us to, 'Honour your father and mother – which is the first commandment.' Ephesians 6:2-3

Demonstrating the value of Service helps us all to become compassionate and responsible individuals who understand the significance of selfless acts for the greater good. It only takes someone to do one nice thing for someone to help change the direction of their day.

40 Acts of Kindness

In the lead up to Easter each child has been given a 40 Acts of Kindness checklist. Once they have completed their 40 Acts they will be awarded

their point towards their Dove award. It doesn't just stop there though! Why not see how many Acts of Kindness you can complete between now and Easter? Could you repeat one or two of the Acts to brighten someone's day and demonstrate a range of our School values?



"Sometimes it only takes on act of kindness and caring to change a person's life."

Jackie Chan

"Peace begins with a smile"

Mother Teresa

"Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on earth"

Muhammad Ali

Reflection Corner...

You could..

Read this bible story about service:

John 13: 2-5 Jesus washes his disciples' feet.

or

Visit the library and post a note in the 'Appreciate an adult box'



or

Think of other acts of kindness that

aren't on your checklist.
Complete and record them in your HSO. Then let your teacher know that you've gone one step further!

