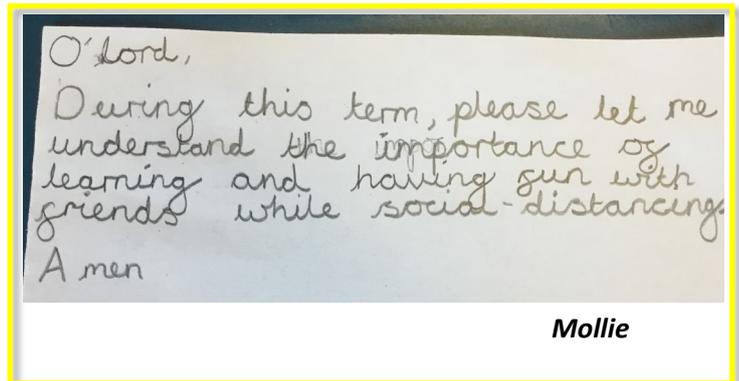
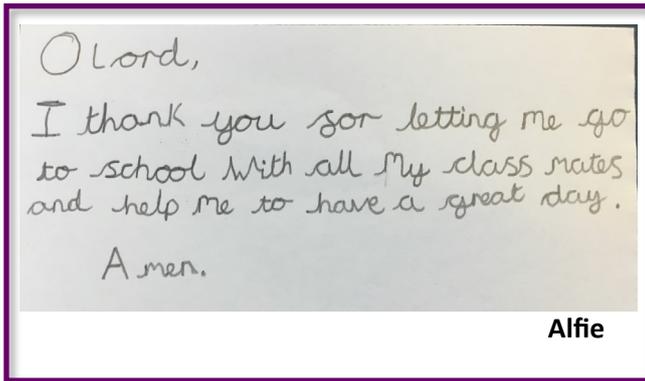


The Parables of Jesus

Welcome back to the start of a new school year, an extra special welcome to all the new pupils who have joined us in Oak Class and across the school and all their families. During this term we will be focusing on 'The Parables of Jesus', sharing some of the parables and discussing what the meanings are behind them. Willow Class have written some lovely prayers around the theme of new beginnings, especially important at this time as we try and adapt to the 'new' normal.



Read together: Find 5 minutes to sit down and share the following story together.

The Good Samaritan

"A man set out on foot from Jerusalem to a town called Jericho", said Jesus. The crowd murmured and exchanged knowing glances. They knew this was a lonely, dangerous road, a favourite place for robbers to attack travellers. "As the man reached a rocky and desolate place, a gang of robbers leapt out and beat him. They took all that he had and left him bleeding and bruised. To the man's relief, he saw in the distance a priest from the temple. A priest is bound to help me, thought the man. He waited until the priest came a little closer and then called out, 'Thank goodness it is you. Please Sir, take me to safety.' But to his amazement the priest hurried past pretending not to see or hear him.

As the poor, injured man grew weaker and weaker in the burning midday sun, he once again heard footsteps. Looking up he saw a Levite, another of his own people. 'Please Sir, please help me', he called out. Surely this Levite would take pity on him, but to his horror the Levite just kept on walking.

The man had almost given up hope when he felt a gentle touch on his shoulder. A stranger, a Samaritan, had bent down beside him and was bandaging his wounds and giving him sips of water to drink. The Samaritan helped the man on to his own donkey and slowly, carefully took him all the way to an inn. There he paid the innkeeper to look after the man until he was well. The man never forgot the compassion and kindness of the Samaritan stranger."

"Who do you think was a good neighbour?" asked Jesus.

Bible story based on Luke 10: 29-37

Discussions at home...



A parable is a story that Jesus tells to teach an important truth. .

- If you asked the two men why they didn't help, what might their responses have been?
- Who was the true neighbour in the story?
- How important is it to love our neighbours?

In Class: The units of work for each class for Term 1 are listed below. Alongside this they will also be having an RE day on **Thursday 17th September** where the focus this year will be on **'People whose faith inspires them'**. Each Class has chosen a person to study and these range from Mother Teresa to Bear Grylls ! We look forward to hearing all about it.



A message from Canon Larkey...

St Mary Magdalene Church, Woodborough

This Sunday **20th September** we will be celebrating Harvest Festival at 11am in the Churchyard. All are welcome to this service, where being outside makes social distancing a bit easier. Some chairs will be provided but you might want to bring your own blanket to sit on the grass. You might also want to bring one or two items you have grown or made to show others how amazing it is to be working alongside the Creator of the Universe. Please see the [online Messenger](#) to find out when other churches are celebrating Harvest.

We are hoping to have a **'Welcome Service'** for the new children who have joined us in Oak Class and across the school on

Wednesday 30th September at 2pm

outside on the School field. (Please note this is straight after the Phonics information meeting with Mrs Parry.)

More information will follow shortly.

Many thanks for your continued support

Mrs Needham

RE & Collective Worship Coordinator

