



CHILTON FOLIAT CofE VA PRIMARY SCHOOL

Chilton Foliat Primary School Themed Week **SERVICE**

Monday 11th July to Friday 15th July 2022



The topic for our themed week this year is **SERVICE**. Our inspiration is Her Majesty the Queen, Queen Elizabeth II, and the story of her journey over the last 70 years. In the run up to the Jubilee Celebrations, the children explored the life and times of Queen through the lens of duty and **SERVICE**; of her support of countless charitable organisations and admiration of voluntary **SERVICE**. It really helped them understand the significance of the Jubilee.

Our themed week will continue with the exploration of **SERVICE**. It can take many shapes and sizes and its impact can be measured in many ways.

We will also be exploring the nature of **FAITH** – the complete trust or confidence in someone or something. Whether you are a Christian, a follower of another religion or have no religion, we all need **FAITH**.

The Queen believed that God equipped her for her life of **SERVICE** and duty. We believe that God does the same for all of us. Just as the Queen is on a journey, we are on our school journey, **thirsting for knowledge, striving to improve heart and mind** and having **FAITH** that the someone or something – that greater being – is guiding us, supporting us and calling us on. By accepting her role, The Queen sacrificed her personal and private life to adopt a life of **SERVICE** in obedience to God's call, trusting him to lead her.

With thankfulness, courage and love, we strive to improve heart and mind

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The big questions we will be asking our children in the context of their own personal journey during our themed week will include:

- Who would you like to **SERVE**?
- How can we use our core Christian values, **thankfulness, courage** and **love** to help us **SERVE**?
- What might we have to sacrifice?
- What about the joyfulness of **SERVICE**? What do we get in return for delivering an act of **SERVICE**, whatever form it takes?
- How does our Christian vision of **thirsting for knowledge, improving our hearts and minds** give us the strength to put aside what we might want, to give to others in **SERVICE** instead?
- Who do we believe equips us with the faith to **SERVE** others?
- How should we respond when we receive an act of **SERVICE**?
- How do we **SERVE** our spiritual selves?

These big questions will be explored through activity. During the week, the children will take part in class based activities, teacher led and crafted in an age appropriate way. We will also come together as a whole school to enjoy some themed week highlights.

Themed Week highlights will include:

Monday 11th July at 9.15am – Collective Worship – Welcome to our themed week of **SERVICE**

A special Collective Worship will be led by Rev. Beth Hutton. Just as Jesus and the Queen were anointed to signify the beginning of their journey of **SERVICE**, Rev. Beth will be offering to anoint the children as they begin their journey of **SERVICE** as part of themed week. This will take the form of the sign of the cross on their hand (using holy oil) and is purely optional. Parents and carers are invited to express an interest in attending this special Collective Worship and come and be anointed too. This will signify the continuation of your journey as supportive parents, nurturing and nourishing your children as they **thirst for knowledge** and **strive to improve heart and mind**.

Monday 11th July at 1.00pm – The Shelburne Ensemble – **SERVICE** in action

Our children will have the opportunity to receive an act of **SERVICE** via the medium of music. The Shelburne Ensemble is made up of five local professional musicians, all highly experienced performers and teachers, having worked with a variety of professional orchestras. They share a passion for ensuring that high quality music making is accessible to all and have come together with the aim of bringing live music to the children in our local area. Instruments involved are the violin, cello, French horn, percussion and voice. The ensemble have experience of education and outreach projects throughout the UK and enjoy being involved in music making closer to home. These talented musicians will **SERVE** our children with:

- An opportunity to experience the excitement of a performance by musicians in front of an audience
- The inspiration to begin or continue with their music making, both singing and playing an instrument
- The offer of participating in music making as an audience.

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Wednesday 13th July at 2.00pm – A concert and **SERVICE** of afternoon tea for members of our local community

We are inviting our local community to come and join us for a concert of singing and music performed by the choir and the whole school. The songs will reflect the theme of **SERVICE**, some well-known and some new. After the concert, our older children will be **SERVING** tea and cake for our guests.

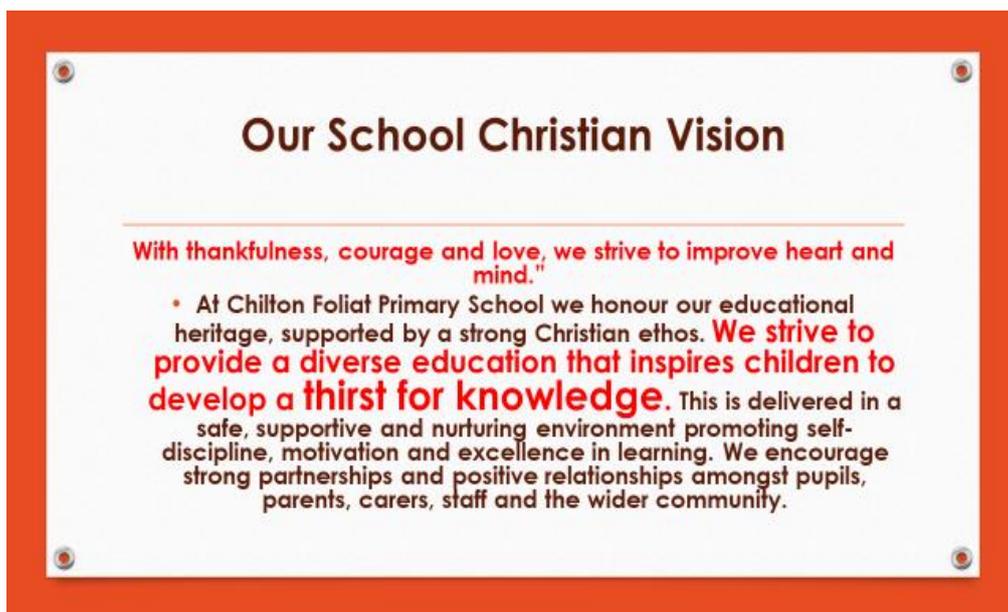
Thursday 14th July at 2.00pm – Open Afternoon and Children's Fete

All parents and carers are invited to join their children in their classrooms to see how our teaching team have **SERVED** the learning needs of all our children over the year. You will have the opportunity to look at your child's work from over the year, see displays, reflections books and celebrate your child's achievements. At the same time a children's fete will be taking place. The fete is being organised by the children, led by our School Council, for the children and will be selling items made by the children as a result of the popular Grow a Fiver initiative. There will also be a children's raffle. All proceeds will be donated to our chosen international charity UNICEF and in support and **SERVICE** of the children of Ukraine.

Friday 15th July 2022 at 2.45pm – Celebration Assembly

Our themed week focusing on **SERVICE** will end with Celebration Assembly. A final opportunity to recognise those who have embraced the theme of **SERVICE** in its many forms.

Additional information is being sent out about the Grow a Fiver campaign, raffle ticket sales, donations for raffle ticket prizes and the Children's Fete. Please look out for these and help your children give their **SERVICE** to this fundraising effort. Many thanks for your support.



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