



# Our School Vision:

***“Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.” Matthew 7: 7***

At the heart of our school community is a commitment to prayer and worship. Our curriculum provides children with a thirst for knowledge and wisdom, a high level of challenge and a deep understanding that we are all equal and made in the image of God. Our relationships with each other, our local community and global companions leads us to want to care and serve others.



# Through our vision we aim to provide:

- ❑ A strong sense of purpose based on our Church of England Christian tradition and an active partnership with The Annunciation, Marble Arch.
- ❑ Religious Education that is based upon strong Biblical teaching and theological concepts in an environment where spirituality is treasured and nurtured.
- ❑ Daily acts of Christian worship that allows space for personal reflection and prayer.
- ❑ A holistic and enriched curriculum where achievement is celebrated and equally valued.
- ❑ Strong and positive relationships fostered amongst staff, children and parents/carers in an inclusive and welcoming learning community that is forward thinking and outward looking.



# **Our vision is lived out through our Christian values of:**

**Reverence**

**Thankfulness**

**Humility**

**Forgiveness**

**Resilience**

**Peace**

In the Bible we learn about the kind of people God wants us to be. We try to put these into practice in all that we do and to encourage the children to do the same.

# Reverence

**Romans 12:10** - *“Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honour one another above yourselves.”*

- ▶ We teach children that reverence is holy and sacred act of worship or respect. That when we show respect to all living people, creatures and environment we are showing respect and reverence to God.
- ▶ We can show respect for each other, their belongings and their environment. Reverence includes worshiping in wonder, submission and sacrifice.
- ▶ We teach children that we also need to respect ourselves by being respectful of our relationships with others, our work and responsibilities. We show reverence by being the best possible person we can be and being all of who God created us to be.



# Thankfulness

**Ephesians 5.20** - *'Always give thanks for everything to God the Father'*

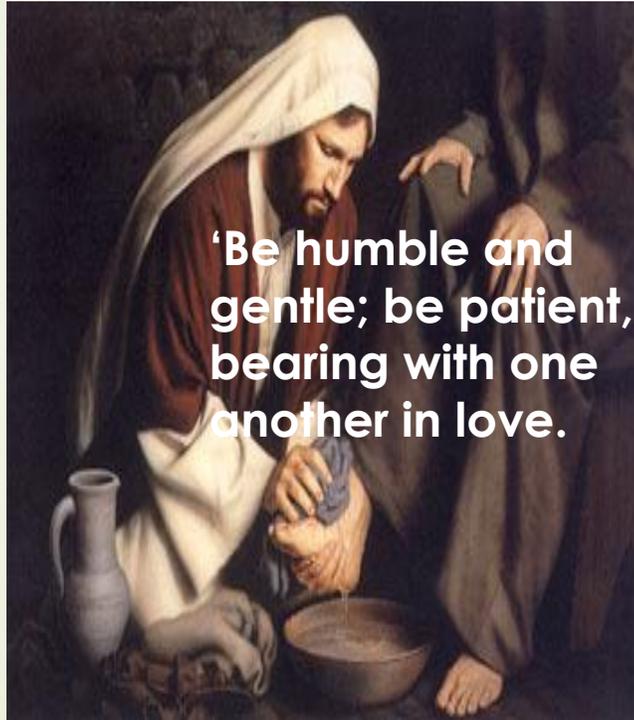
**Thessalonians 5:18**- *" In all things, give thanks"*



- ▶ Saying 'thank you' is a simple and most powerful word to express our appreciation.
- ▶ We encourage children to show thankfulness for what we have and show generosity of heart and mind.
- ▶ We thank God in our worship for the good things he gives us and for His love to each one of us.
- ▶ When was the last time you said thanks to a friend? A colleague? A loved one? A teacher? A parent? I bet that the response was a smile!

# Humility

Philippians 2:7 – 8: *“And, being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.”*

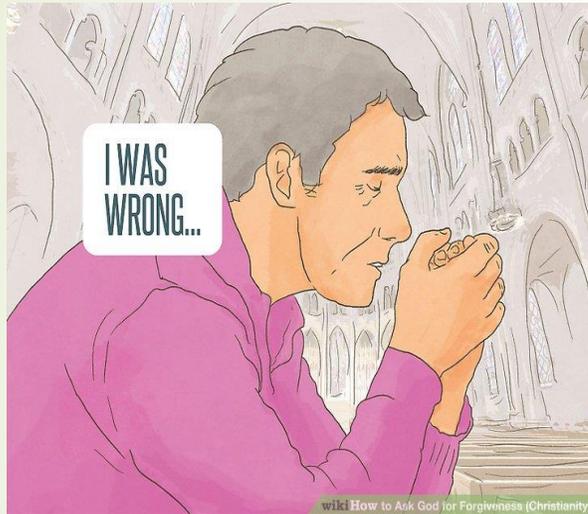


**‘Be humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love.**

- Humility is about trying to think of others before you think about yourself. We teach children not put ourselves above anybody else and try to think of others before themselves.
- We expect children to understand and appreciate the views of others.
- We teach them to see humility as a strength
- We inspire children with the stories of those whose practical actions are the equivalent of ‘washing the feet’ of others
- We encourage children to reflect on what can be counted as true achievement and success

# Forgiveness

**(Ephesians 4:32)**- *Be kind to one another, tender hearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you'*



- We teach children that forgiveness is fundamental to the character of God
- We tell them that making mistakes is part of being human and sometimes our mistakes hurt others. When this happens we need to say sorry.
- We teach children that mistakes are made by others that hurt or upset us. When this happens we need to be able to forgive.
- We teach children to understand that forgiveness can be difficult and costly but without it a new start is impossible.
- We ask children to consider how it feels when they are given a new start because someone has forgiven them

# Resilience

**Psalm 100:5** - *For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.*



- ▶ We encourage the children to keep going even when things are tough
- ▶ We teach children to believe in themselves, dare to try new things and persevere to reach their full potential
- ▶ Our curriculum provides the work challenging enough that all children have opportunities to develop resilience, endurance and perseverance to experience success and understand that sometimes success involves struggle.
- ▶ We teach children that they can ask God to help us with our challenges and that God' love for them endures forever

# Peace

**1 Peter 3:11.** *“Jesus blesses those who are ‘peacemakers’ and calls them ‘Sons of God’”*



- ▶ We encourage children to be peace makers and peace keepers.
- ▶ We help children learn how to get over arguments quickly and fairly.
- ▶ We make sure we give our children times to reflect, to be peaceful and calm as well as times that are more noisy and busy.
- ▶ We encourage children to share peaceful times with God through prayer