

Worship Questionnaire / Pupils

Very positive answers from all pupils:

Willow Class (Years 4) / Hazel Class Year 5) / Sycamore Class (Year 6)

1. What do you think makes our school a Christian school
 - *'We celebrate Christmas, Harvest and Easter.'*
 - *We pray a lot. We pray at lunchtime and in assembly.*
 - *We go to church to see Edward*
 - *Because when we eat lunch we say grace*
 - *Our name means that we are a church school (lots of similar answers!)*
 - *We pray a lot!*
 - *We go to church a lot. We walk to church*
 - *"We celebrate the Christian calendar"*
 - *Our school is near a church and the vicar comes to see us*
 - *We go to church to pray to God and Jesus*
 - *We have assemblies where light a candle and say prayers*
 - *We are Christians and we believe in God*
 - *Because of St. George!*
 - *We are Christians because of the Vicar from down the road!*

2. Why do you think Christians worship God?
 - *Because he does good things for us.*
 - *Thank him for food and water. Pray to thank him for all he gave us!*
 - *Because they light a candle*
 - *To love their family*
 - *To remember how lucky we are*
 - *To thank him for the love of my family*
 - *If you believe in god he does good things*
 - *It is their belief*
 - *For forgiveness, saying thank you and asking for help!*
 - *God made the world and we believe in him!*

3. What, if anything do you find helpful about worship?
 - *It helps me to think clearly. We can say thanks.*
 - *Calming, relaxing and helps me think about how lucky I am!*
 - *I feel as though things get sorted out*
 - *I am not sure, I don't know*
 - *It makes me feel better!*
 - *It makes us calm down and we connect with God. We can tell him what we are worried about.*
 - *I feel like I have a special friend*
 - *It gives us something to do when we are bored!!*

4. Do you think that pupils and teachers act in a Christian way?
 - *Opening and closing doors,*
 - *Saying please and thank you,*
 - *being honest and kind and helpful*
 - *Lighting candles.*

- *Being polite*
 - *Being magnanimous!*
 - *We show respect towards each other.*
 - *Only sometimes, some of us mess about during the prayer.*
 - *We learn to look after each other!*
5. How does the school help you to think about spiritual things like god?
- *We have a lot of assemblies*
 - *We light candles and think about God*
 - *We use Bibles*
 - *We do RE*
 - *We think a lot in assemblies*
 - *We listen to stories*
 - *Praying in assemblies makes me think about God*
6. What symbols do you see in school? What do they tell people about us?
- *The cross, candle and our logo tell people that we are Christians.*
 - *We are Christians. We are a Christian school*
 - *We are sensible.*
 - *We are a kind and caring school. We think about God and Jesus and we work together to make the school at better place to be.*
 - *It tells everyone that we are a caring school*
 - *We have an assembly board which we can look at during lunchtimes*
 - *The entrance hall has statue of St. George. There are things to think about and in each class has a prayer book.*
7. Do you think that we could improve upon being a more Christian school?
- *Learn more about religions*
 - *Visit other Christian places*
 - *We could pray even more!*
 - *Praying to God before each lesson*
 - *You can't!*
 - *More bibles in each class would be helpful*
 - *No more. We have lots of assemblies and do loads of RE!*
8. How do you get the chance to contribute in prayer?
- *We light cantles*
 - *We are asked to read in assemblies*
 - *We write and say prayers in assemblies*
 - *We all have class prayers. We are asked to read them out.*
9. What makes a good act of worship?
- *We celebrate our talents*
 - *We are all involved*
 - *Brenda stories!*
 - *I like it when we can dress up and act out stories. It helps me remember.*

- *Stories which make us think. I like the screen as helps me remember.*
- *Funny stories*
- *Stories which are cheerful*
- *Worship is better when the hall is calm. Peaceful.*
- *Worship is better when everyone takes part.*

10. Can you remember any act of worship that was helpful to you?

- *When I first came to St. George's I was scared but assemblies made me feel better!*
- *Stories which tell us to care about each other*
- *When I am in a bad mood it makes me feel better*
- *To be more forgiving and to be more tolerant of people.*
- *Mr Rye's assembly about the Women's World Cup*
- *Saying thank you when you are helped out.*
- *Harvest Festival. A story about Neil Armstrong makes me want to go to the moon.*
- *Stories about teamwork. Stories about being more tolerance.*
- *I can remember; 'don't worry and always stay calm, team work and helping each other.'*
- *New beginnings!*

Possible Actions?	Comments
Trip to other places of Worship? How about a visit to Rochester or Canterbury Cathedral?	Guided tour. How about contributing to the schools festival?
A larger screen for the hall	This is a good idea. We would have to alter the direction of seating.
Could the children write their own assemblies using PowerPoint	Yes!
Cross in each class.	Yes, and ordered.