



At home with values ...

Dear Parents/ Carers,

This half term we will be focusing on the value of **THANKFULNESS**.

We will be talking about this in both the classroom and as a whole school during collective worship. If you would like to explore this value further at home we hope that you will find this leaflet helpful.

TALK ABOUT ... THANKFULNESS FINGERPRINT FUN

You have your own fingerprint pattern which is unique and different to anyone else's in the world. With your child, take the time to look at the fingerprints of different family members. A great family activity would be to use an ink pad to print all of your individual fingerprints and talk about other things that are unique about you all.

A BIBLE STORY ABOUT ... THANKFULNESS

(The Creation - page 8 of "Children of God" Bible from church)

Take the time to read this Bible story to your child at home. It would make a lovely bedtime story.

This is a story about Creation and how on different days God created something new and beautiful in the world. Ask your child what part of Creation they are most thankful for.

FAMILY CHALLENGE

Ask your child to draw or paint a picture of themselves, a friend or family member.

Think about these questions:

What are your gifts and talents?

Is it ok to be good at different things?

Write under their picture a sentence about why this person is special and unique.

Encourage them to use sentence starters such as:

It is good to be me because ...

I am special because ...

It's good to me because...

Your child can then bring their finished painting into school to share in one of our worships.

A prayer for bedtime

Dear Father God,

Thank you that you love me as I am.

Thank you that no one else is like me.

Thank you that you have a plan, just for me.

Amen.

Books recommended for Thankfulness... 123's of Thankfulness by Patricia Hegarty, I Don't Want To Be A Frog by Dev Petty, Thanks From The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle