

Character Development

Courageous Advocacy

“Courageous advocacy is a long-term legacy, an endowment to future generations; it is about releasing the possibility of the pupils in our schools to serve the common good.”

Courageous Advocacy, Caroline Weir, Christian Aid

‘What does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God’ (Micah 6:8)

As a school we have learned about the lives of some people who we consider to be courageous advocates, such as Florence Nightingale, Martin Luther King and Greta Thunberg. The school council led an inspiring collective worship where we found out about the life of Greta Thunberg.

The school council responds to items raised by the children in school. One item we have discussed this year is how we can have a more positive impact on God’s wider world.

We decided to take some steps towards this. We have stopped giving out plastic toys as rewards and enjoy receiving our certificates. We bring our own refillable bottles to school. We have also started collecting unwanted party bag type toys to put to better use. We are also starting to fill used plastic bottles with unrecyclable plastic and once we have enough, we are going to create something new outside, rather than buy something new. In our new office at school, we have reused the fitted desk from the old office and used up spare carpet tiles. We are also trying hard to remember to remind the adults to turn off the lights when the rooms are empty. We are also recycling our milk bottles, and other recyclable materials.

Why are we doing this? Because we need to respect our planet and its people and use less of the earth’s resources. We look forward to continuing our journey as global citizens.