

## Where?



- School hall
- In the classroom
- St Mary's Church
- Anywhere!



# Alder Grove

Church of England Primary School

## What happens?



- Listening to passages from the Bible and exploring their meaning and messages
- Celebrating Christian festivals (e.g. Christmas, Easter)
- 'Awe and Wonder' moments
- Discussing the big questions
- Opportunity to think about our actions and decisions
- Singing hymns and worship songs
- Time for prayer and reflection
- Recognising our achievements
- Reflecting on and giving thanks for our learning this week
- Going out and being commissioned to live our Vision & Values in the school and wider community

## Why do we do it?



- Central to the Christian ethos of the school
- To uphold our school's Vision and Values
- Inspire children to think, question and reflect on faith
- To instil Jesus' teaching of love, kindness and compassion
- To allow the spiritual development of everyone to flourish

## What is it?



- A sacred time that is invitational, inspiring and inclusive to all faiths
- An opportunity to hear God's word and to understand Christianity
- Takes place every day
- Different to Religious Education
- A separate time to normal teaching with emphasis on personal reflection and growth

# Collective Worship at Alder Grove Church of England

## Who leads it?



- School staff
- Pupils
- Clergy/Volunteers from St Mary's Church and other local churches
- Visitors (including leaders of other faiths)

## What is the impact on the children?



- Children make better life choices
- Pupils develop their own faith, spirituality or sense of self
- Children are mindful of themselves and others
- Pupils show respect and tolerance for all faiths and beliefs, including those with no faith
- Confidence to ask and challenge ideas
- Being grateful and enjoying life in all its fullness

\*Parents have the right to withdraw their child from Collective Worship and should speak to the school to discuss this.



Kindness



Service



Truthfulness



Forgiveness



Courage



Perseverance

'They are like trees planted along the riverbank, bearing fruit each season.' Psalm 1:3