

"Love God, Love Yourself, Love Your Neighbour" Luke 10:27

Our Christian Vision in Action



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Our Christian Vision is rooted through Luke 10:27 "Jesus said; Love God, Love yourself, Love your neighbour." The Parable of the Good Samaritan underpins that vision and symbolises what we stand for as a school. We use this vision to develop our school community into a place of love; where people put kindness and others first. The vision is broken down into five key components that help our school community understand how they can live and breathe the vision through daily life at school and at home.

This is how our Christian vision is lived out in the wider life of the school written by Ethos Leadership Team;

Vision...

MORE THAN INTENT



- * Fundraising for charities we support.
- * Training and enabling our children to be the leaders of today, to lead by example in positions of responsibility.
- * Celebrate everybody's achievements. At Bishop Bridgeman, we celebrate everybody's achievement and recognise everyone's individual successes.

What this means...

We try at all times to live out with action, to love, help and support each other. The Good Samaritan's intent didn't save the wounded man. It was his actions that ultimately saved the man's life.

What this looks like in action...

- Doing simple things that mean the most like "Good Morning", a smile or even "Hello"
- To not copy someone's bad behaviour and set an example for them.
- Holding the door for others
- Helping people even if you don't know them
- If someone were to fall help them up.
- Challenge sexism and racism
- If someone is sad try to cheer them up by doing something good.
- We use kind words
- Children's Leadership children's voice matters
- Caring for children and teachers
- Fundraising money for charities

* 'Going the extra mile' – Going the extra mile is definitely at the heart of all we do. We appreciate all the extra things that staff, children, parents and volunteers do for our school community.

- Making others aware of injustice in the world
- We use our manners
- If people have lots of things and they drop something we help them
- The golden rule is to love others and help them no matter what
- Always be kind and helpful to each other

SPEAK UP SPEAK OUT



At Bishop Bridgeman, every year, we remind ourselves of our School pledge - Don't be a Bystander. We hold Speak Up and Speak out super learning days to explore topics and safe ways to speak up and speak out. As an Ethos group, after much discussion, we decided to be courageous advocates for the homeless people in Manchester supporting the charity Greater Together Manchester. Winston Churchill said "Courage is what it takes to stand up and speak." We must go beyond compassion become and concerned for justice and inequality. By doing this, we can make a difference. Let us go back to Proverbs 31. "Speak up for people who cannot speak for themselves. Protect the rights of all who are helpless." Who did Jesus speak up for? In Luke's gospel he spoke up for the women, children, tax-collectors, the poor, the outcast and the foreigner. Just think for a minute (pause) - who would Jesus speak up for today?

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- We hold anti-bullying weeks in school
- Don't be a bystander
- We study all religions because we care for all religions
- We speak up for people even if you don't know them
- We have Children's Chaplain and Shades Ambassadors to help others if they are worried
- We look after everyone's mental health
- We have internet safety day/ week. We learn about online safety every year.
- We have ELT to manage all the other groups and support them doing their job.
- We have worry monsters and worry boxes in our classrooms.
- Junior Leadership Team is another way for children to express their ideas and feelings.
- We take action to anything that's wrong or unacceptable and unconscious bias.
- We hold Speak Up and Speak Out Days and have a school pledge we sign
- Every week we have picture news to debate issues like injustice and inequality



PRAYER

We are passionate about prayer!

Through prayer we can individually and collectively support and care for those who need it and give thanks for all that our community brings. We have made a little prayer book for you to take away and use.

We are so passionate about prayer that we have dedicated our third Ethos book to supporting children's prayer.

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- We don't judge others who don't have a religion but encourage them to reflect
- We don't have a right way to pray because there is no right way to pray
- We pray at lunch time and home time
- In every class we have a reflection area with Windows Doors and Mirrors where we can reflect or pray
- Children's Chaplains support prayer and reflection on the yard and in the classrooms
- We have training for Children's Chaplains and Prayer space Leaders
- Wiggle Worship helps children to pray
- Every day we have worship where we pray together and have the opportunity to pray privately



COURAGEOUS ADVOCACY

2 of our past Ethos Leaders stood up and gave a 10minute talk in both of our churches. We are all wearing super hero capes today to remind us that every day we wear invisible super-hero capes and can be a hero or a courageous advocate- we just need to believe that they are there.

When you are courageous, you must be brave. If you are an advocate, you are helping someone. Jesus told us that the Father would send an advocate to be with us. In St John's, gospel Jesus says "And I will ask the Father and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever." In being courageous advocates, we speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves. The bible says in Proverbs 31:8-9. "Speak up for those who cannot speak up for themselves, for the rights of all

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- We are brave and stand up for each other even people you don't know.
- Help one and other
- Never give up when you make a mistake
- We are a team of courageous advocates encouraging all our children and staff to become agents of change
- Do not judge anyone but judge fairly
- We talk about injustice and challenge it
- Help others in need and be kind to all
- Be brave and volunteer to help the environment
- We challenge racism and stereotypes
- We challenge unconscious bias racial justice project by Spirit Blazers
- Be passionate about your dreams
- Encourage people to believe in themselves
- Give up time to help others
- We do Little People Big Dreams
- Bishop Bridgeman three R's

who are destitute. Speak up and judge fairly; defend the rights of the poor and needy." Being a courageous advocate isn't always easy, but speak up even if your voice shakes. Think back to the story of the Good Samaritan- the story is about both helping speaking up. As an Ethos group one example, we have written postcards for the Postcards of Kindness Initiative and posted them to residential homes across the country and in America.



Martin Luther King Jr. said "Everybody can be great.... because anybody can serve. You don't need a college degree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. And a soul generated by love." We believe our school is a community where people come first where we support each other to grow, develop and shine. Is it not then our servant duty to support the more vulnerable members of our communities and society? We aim to encourage everyone to become servant-leaders, to provide opportunities for children and adults to lead and serve, therefore raising the quality of life for all. We have the ultimate example of servant leadership in Jesus, he was a great leader, but firstly a great servant.

In the Bible there are over 1300 references to servant/ service or serve.

Servant leadership is about:

* Serving others, not yourself.

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- We have many children's leadership groups
 - Ethos Leadership Team
 - Shades Ambassadors
 - Ethos Leaders
 - Prayer Space Leaders
 - Children's Chaplains
 - Spirit Blazers
 - Junior Leadership Team
 - Online Safety team
 - Eco warriors
 - School ambassadors
- Children's voice matters
- Recycling
- Helping everyone even though it is hard work
- Ethos Explorers 2 year research project with Liverpool Hope university
- Fundraising for charity
- Praying not only at school but everywhere
- Be a Good Samaritan
- Put the needs of others before yourself
- Teachers teach us because of their passion
- Our parents go to work to earn money for us
- Setting a good example even if it is hard work and is a big responsibility
- Teachers give up their time to help us
- Litter picking on the field and in the local area
- It looks easy being a monitor but it is very hard work

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- * Servant leaders are called to a purpose, not a position.
- * Servant leaders listen.
- * Servant leaders build a community.
- * Servant leaders focus on the needs of others.

we will make a difference to those people in Manchester who do not have a home to stay in, food to eat, or other people to care and love them. must remember commandment that Jesus "A gave us: new commandment I give to you: love one another, as I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this, everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

In BB we have many groups of children who lead and make our school the incredible place it is. We see the nature of the Children's Chaplain to 'be there' for other children and staff, especially for those who need additional support, comfort, space reflection/prayer or a listening ear impacting positively on mental health and well-being. Our Children's Chaplains are concerned with care for all within a school community, regardless individuals' of personal faith. Ethos Teams, prayer space leaders and Children's Chaplains enrich the Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural opportunities and explorations all aspects of school life.