



A journey of learning in the light of God's love

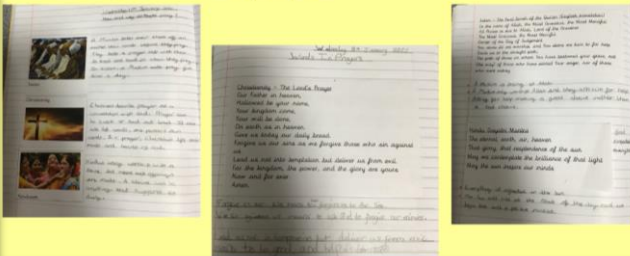
"What shall we say the Kingdom of God is like, or what parable shall we use to describe it? It is like a mustard seed which is the smallest seed you plant in the ground. Yet when planted, it grows and becomes the largest of all garden plants, with such big branches that the birds of the air can perch in its shade."

The parable of the Mustard seed - Mark 4:30-32

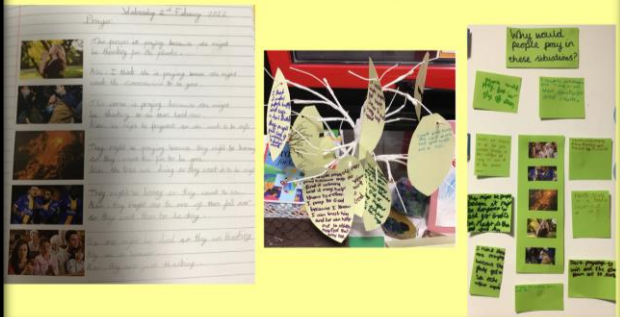
Why do people pray?

During this half term the children have been learning about prayer. We began by summarising the main beliefs in Hinduism, Islam and Christianity. Next, we compared the words in different prayers and we noticed many similarities. We spent time reflecting on why people pray and personal and world events that would make people want to find comfort in prayer. Also, we designed a place for people to pray and wrote our own reflections and prayers. Finally, we really enjoyed our day learning about Christianity as a global religion and courageous advocacy.

We began our learning journey by discussing the religions Christianity, Hinduism and Islam. We discussed how people pray and worship. We also spent time reading and comparing prayers from different religions. We agreed there were similar meanings in these prayers.



Next, we reflected on the different reasons why people pray. We agreed that this can be for positive and negative reasons. We discussed different life events that may result in people wanting to pray.



Year 4 really enjoyed their day learning about Christianity as a global faith. They wrote global prayers and discussed the different denominations of Christianity. They worked together to research Christian charities and discussed the importance of courageous advocacy around the world.



Finally, we discussed different places where people pray. We agreed that a place to pray should be calm, respectful and a place to reflect. We designed a place to pray and considered different religions when designing this. We also worked in groups to decide what important features should be included in a place of worship.

