



VALUES AT HARESFIELD C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

Our values are a central part of our teaching and learning in school and we would like you to be part of that, to feel that you can contribute and share in giving our children a strong Christian foundation for life.

OUR 12 VALUES AT HARESFIELD

- Friendship
 - Truthfulness
 - Thankfulness
 - Generosity
 - Perseverance
 - Service
- Justice
 - Compassion
 - Courage
 - Forgiveness
 - Respect
 - Trust



RESPECT




Respect is one of our core values, we daily reinforce the importance of treating others with respect even if we do not sometimes agree with the way they behave or the things they say. Respecting ourselves is also very important, without this we could make unhealthy choices in life. We also talk about how we should treat the things that belong to us and others and how we should respect our world and the animals, people and places in it.

FRIENDSHIP

- Learning to be a good friend, someone who can be trusted and is loyal, takes a lifetime. At Haresfield we talk together about how friends come in all shapes and sizes and how we can help each other to be a good friend.

Good friends help you to find important things when you have lost them...your smile, your hope, and your courage.





Compassion is to look
beyond your own pain, to
see the pain of others.

Warren Motshedi

COMPASSION

- Many stories of Jesus showing compassion to the sick and the downtrodden of society as he healed them or welcomed them into his circle. We believe that our attitudes and actions must reflect the kindness, mercy and compassion of Jesus, and the love of god for everyone, with that special concern for the poor and the oppressed. We encourage members of the school community to show kindness and respect to one another, foster links with charities for the homeless or those in need.



SERVICE

At school we talk about what service is for children, we can serve by helping our parents with chores around the house. We can help out by opening a door for an elderly person.



Another way to serve is to pray for others. Instead of only praying for our own needs, we can be servants by praying for those around us. Serving is basically about others and not ourselves!

Dear children, let us not love with words or speech
but with actions and in truth.

1 John 3:18



Whoever speaks the truth gives
honest evidence, but a false
witness utters deceit.

- Prov 12:17

TRUTHFULNESS

Being truthful does not only mean not telling lies, it is about being truthful to yourself and by acting honestly towards others.



A thankful heart is
a happy HEART

- In a world where we are very fortunate and do not have to struggle for food or warmth it is difficult for children to imagine what life maybe like for others in our world. 'Count your blessings' is an old saying, but it reminds us to be thankful and not to take things for granted.

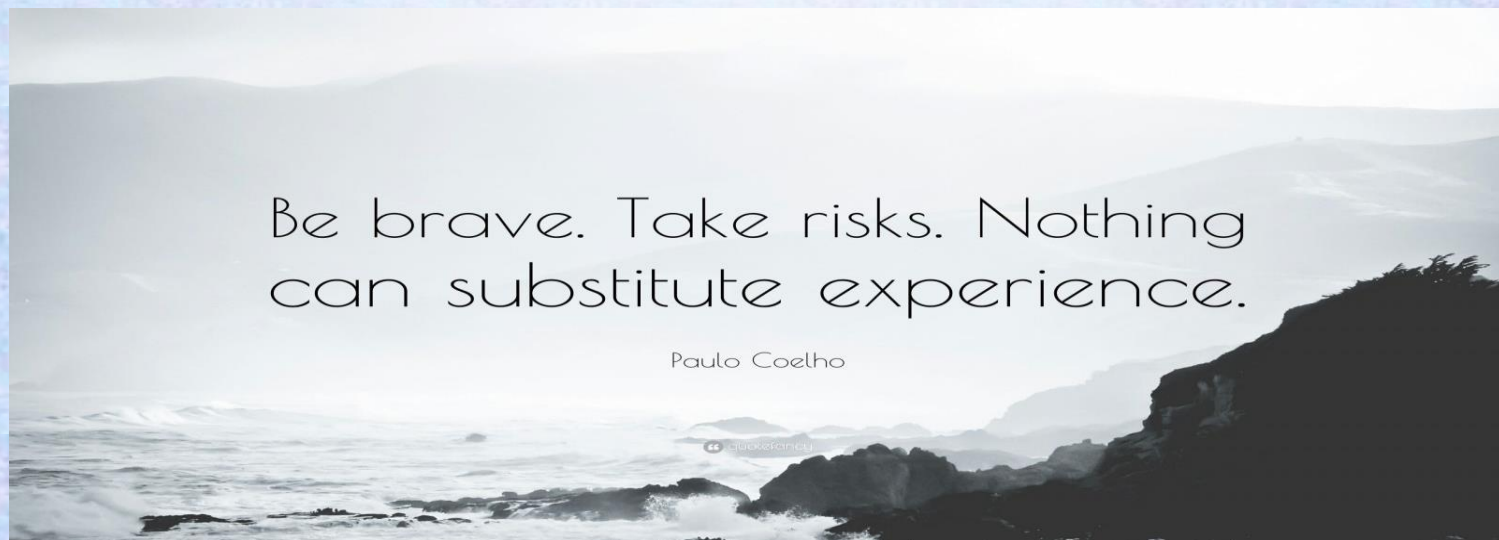
a spirit of
THANKFULNESS
makes all the
difference.

—Hope for Each Day by Billy Graham

THANKFULNESS

COURAGE

- Being courageous can mean different things to different people. For example, one person may think it easy to speak in front of a large audience , whilst another would need to find lots of courage to do this. We have talked at school about how everyone faces challenges from time to time, and we have to find the courage to overcome them.



Do all the good YOU CAN.
BY all the means  you can.
IN ALL THE WAYS YOU CAN.
IN ALL THE PLACES  YOU CAN.
At all the times YOU CAN.
To **ALL THE PEOPLE**
AS LONG  you can.
 as you ever can.

john wesley

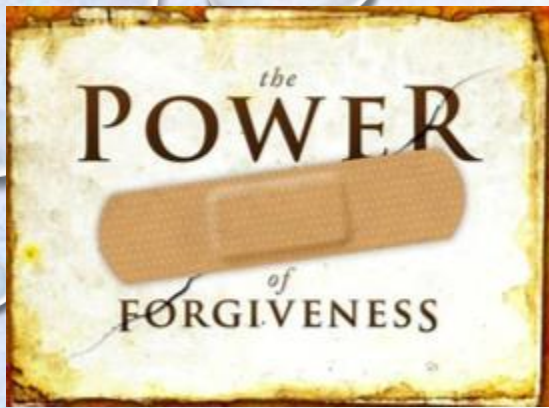
GENEROSITY

"The meaning of life is to find
your gift. The purpose of life is
to give it away!"

-Pablo Picasso



- God's generosity is best described as 'grace', love given freely without limit or conditions. We will be helping our children to understand the concept of giving without seeking any reward and exploring how they can act with generosity not only with material objects but also with their time, words and actions. Do pupils truly understand the concept of giving without seeking any reward? How are pupils encouraged to act with generosity in both their words and their actions?

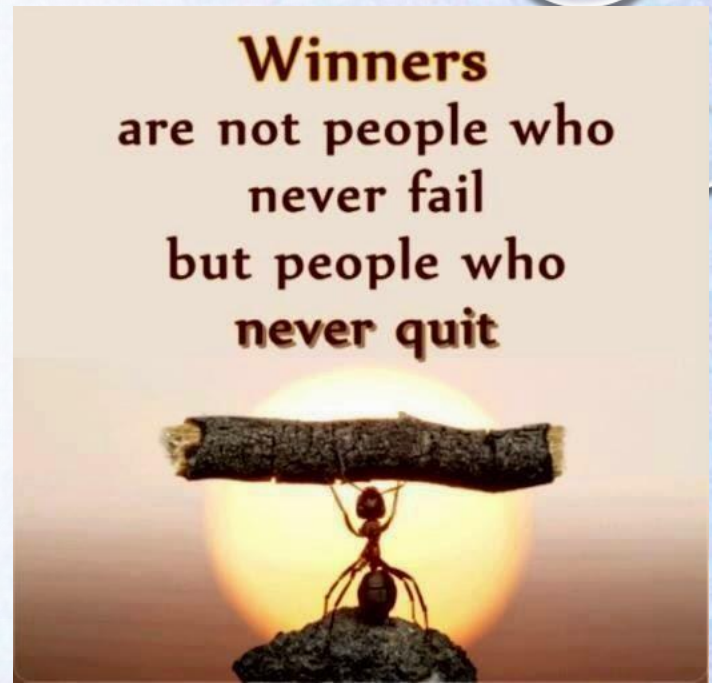


FORGIVENESS

- We have talked at school about how everyone makes mistakes at times, it is part of being a human. Mistakes in our work often lead to learning so these mistakes are good and celebrated. Sometimes our mistakes hurt others and it is important that we learn to say sorry. Sometimes mistakes made by other people hurt us, when this happens we need to be able to forgive. Forgiveness can be difficult and costly but without it a fresh start is impossible.



Forgiveness is the best form of LOVE. It takes a STRONG person to say they're SORRY and an even stronger person to FORGIVE.



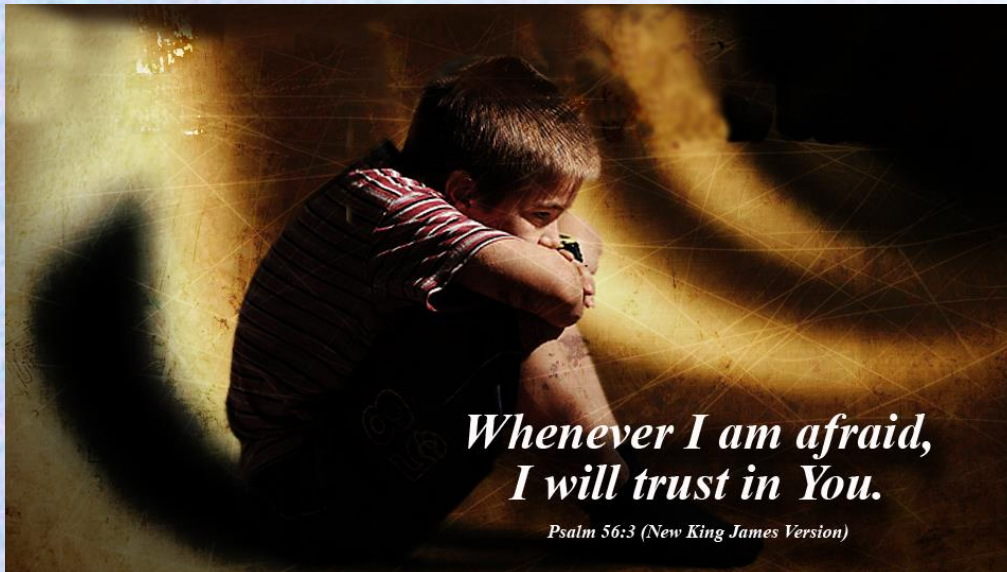
- Adults often say that perseverance is something that children find difficult. Very little that is worthwhile in life can be achieved without perseverance and hard work. An athlete may train for years before they are ready to compete and win medals. A musician must practice everyday if they are to really master their instrument.

PERSEVERANCE

Trust must be earned. If we do not trust someone it is very difficult to build a good friendship with them.

We talked together about:

- People who you know that are trustworthy.
- Practical ways that we can show others that we are trustworthy.
- Why it is important to be able to trust others when working together as a team.



TRUST



**Justice cannot be for one side
alone, but must be for both.**

Eleanor Roosevelt

JUSTICE

Justice for children often means making things 'fair'.

We try to help children to understand that in order for people to live together well in a community it is important to have rules or laws that everybody understands and sticks to.



**HOLD FAST
TO LOVE
AND JUSTICE.**

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