Our Christian Family Value for

September is ...

HOPE



Dear Lord

Thank you for making this amazing world.

Thank you for making it so beautiful.

Thank you for loving every person you've made in the whole world.

Please help us to look after the world.

Please help us to look after each other.

Please stop climate change hurting people and all your creatures.

Please help us not to be greedy, and trust you to give us enough.

Please help us to share what you've given us.

Thank you because today thousands of people around the world are praying these prayers.

Amen

"Hope is being able to see that there is light despite all of the darkness."

Desmond Tutu

Family Values activities:

What do you hope to achieve this academic year...what are your goals, your dreams, what are you aspiring to for yourself and for others?

Bring in your ideas for our time capsule that we will seal at the end of the month and open again in the last week of the Summer term. Lets see what we can achieve when we are hopeful.

Create your own prayer of hope and bring it in to be shared during Collective Worship this month.

All Family Values contributions earn 10 House Points for your house.

In an increasingly difficult and turbulent world, it's important that we remain optimistic and know that there is still hope regardless of tough situations. When children learn about the importance of hope in their lives it builds their character and it teaches them to become more service-oriented in their relationship to others around them. It's also beneficial for us to learn to be hopeful because it shows us the necessity of perseverance and not giving up on our goals when obstacles arise. This is an important thing for us to focus on as we start a new school year.



Ideas from the Bible

Ezekiel was a priest called by God to speak comfort and hope to the people of Israel, who were in exile in Babylon. The temple in Jerusalem had been destroyed and the people had been taken far from home as prisoners. As a result most had lost heart and felt that everything had come to an end forever. Ezekiel's prophecies promised a new beginning and life out of death for God's people. In a series of mysterious and vivid visions Ezekiel assured them that God would rescue them again and give them another chance. The famous story of the dry bones coming to life is one of these visions.

"Learn from yesterday, live for today, hope for tomorrow.

The important thing is not to stop

questioning."

Albert Einstein