



# The Friday Message

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### Fourth Sunday of Easter (B)



Reception	Year 1
We discussed the good news in the Easter Story was the rising of Jesus and likened it to good news that we have seen/heard in our lives. We thought of our own good news to share with a partner and then the rest of the class such as invitations to parties, being given certificates and blue stars in assembly, starting swimming lessons or even little brothers and sisters being born! Following this, we had the opportunity to make our own newspapers to write down our good news.	This week in RE, Year 1 read the story of the Road to Emmaus and discussed how it was written in the scriptures for the Messiah to suffer before entering in His glory. The children retold this story by creating a story map and we explored how the disciples may have felt when they realised that Jesus is risen!
Year 2	Year 3
In RE we have started our new branch of learning entitled ' <i>To the Ends of the Earth</i> '. We began by reading the special Bible stories about Jesus appearing to the Apostles after resurrecting and his ascension to Heaven. We retold these stories using Godly play resources and enjoyed thinking deeply about their meaning. We then went on to complete a hot seating task and writing a diary entry from the perspective of one of the Apostles. Within these we discussed how we felt witnessing these events and what special significance they have within the Catholic faith.	Year 3 have started a new topic in RE called to the ends of the Earth. We have read 2 scriptures road to Emmaus (Luke 24:13-35) and the mission to the world (Matthew 28:16-20). We made links between these scriptures and mass, the ideas we discussed were Jesus breaking the bread and bread being broken in mass and hearing bible readings during mass. We thought about the Last Supper, and particularly the receiving of bread during mass. We thought about the bread becomes the body of Jesus when the priest prays over it.
Year 4	Year 5
In RE this week, Year 4 have begun their new topic: To the Ends of the Earth. The children began by participating in a Godly Play activity which explored The Empty Tomb. Following exploration of the scripture, the children had the chance to role play Peter's reaction to the empty tomb and 'hot seat' one another in character. The second half of their learning this week involved learning about Jesus' appearance on the shore of Tiberius (Jn 21:1-19). The children learnt when this happened in relation to Jesus' resurrection and carefully analysed Jesus' words to Peter. They then reflected on Peter's actions leading up to this conversation and considered how Peter would have been feeling after Jesus instructed him to "Take care of my sheep."	This week we looked closely at Pentecost and explored passages from the scriptures that referred to this special time, particularly the Acts. We looked at the story of the Holy Spirit arriving as a gift after Jesus' ascension into heaven. Closely following the story, we looked at the events surrounded the Holy Spirit's arrival and the symbols that now represent the Holy Spirit. We went on to look at the huge importance of the Holy Spirit as a gift for us all.
Year 6	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Monthly Gospel Value</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Our Gospel Vale we are exploring is ....</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Compassion</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>How can you help this week?</b></p>
In RE the week, we have studied scriptures and artwork around Jesus' appearance to Mary Magdalene. In our first lesson, the children consider how Mary would feel upon finding Jesus' empty tomb and wrote a diary entry on this. In our second lesson, the children compared to pieces of artwork the represented the event and discuss how and why these may have been portrayed differently.	

