

## Ark Federation Act of Worship Programme Spring Term 2018




### Key Theme:




### **Courage (Spring 2<sup>nd</sup>)**

Basic to the Christian faith is the claim that God is always present in every situation. This belief has led to great acts of courage that have included facing danger and opposition, overcoming fear, making a stand for what is right and encouraging others to persevere. Through prayer, people have found the strength to help them to be courageous.

**We aim to encourage children to be courageous and will be inviting them to use prayer/reflection time to ‘hand their worries over to God’.**

(Bible references – Joshua 1:9-11, Chronicles 28:20, Deuteronomy 31:6-8, Psalm 23, Exodus 2-4, Joshua 2, Joshua 3,5,6, 1 Samuel 23-24, Luke 1)

W/C	Key Questions	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
19/02/18	 <b>What is courage?</b>	Introducing Courage	Courageous Animals	Clergy	Hymn AoW	Celebration
26/02/18	 <b>Does courage help us to face our fears?</b>	St George & the Dragon (Facing fears with courage)	Facing Bullies with Courage	Clergy	St David's Day	Celebration
05/03/18	 <b>Encouraging others even when the going gets tough!</b>	Apostle Paul's opposition & physical danger (encouraging others)	Part 2 – Apostle Paul	Clergy	Hymn AoW	Celebration

12/03/18	 <b>Having the courage to stand firm and face others/ difficult times.</b>	The courage to stand firm (Daniel & the Lions)	Florence Nightingale (Having courage)	Clergy	Child-led AOW	Celebration
19/03/18	 <b>Having the courage to make the first move.</b>	Courage to Make the First Move (The Selfish Crocodile)	Summary – courage can take on many different forms	Clergy	Hymn AoW	Celebration
26/03/18	 <b>Why is Easter the most important Christian festival?</b>	Easter	Easter	Clergy	Easter	N/A

There are many stories that can be used as a catalyst to discuss courage such as:

The Magic Paintbrush (Julia Donaldson)

The Gruffalo (Julia Donaldson)

The Owl Who Was Afraid of The Dark (Jill Tomlinson)

The Mousehole Cat (Barber & Bayley)

The Selfish Crocodile (Faustin Charles & Michael Terry)

Sitting Ducks (Michael Bedard)

War Horse (Michael Morpurgo)

These can be used for key stage AoWs or as a way to follow up the theme of courage in class.