



Prayer at Titchmarsh Church of England Primary School

Talking to God,

Reflecting

Taking time for us

Invitational, Inclusive and Inspiring

We are a Church of England school with a distinctive Christian Ethos that is the heartbeat of school. Prayer is an important part of our daily life at Titchmarsh CE Primary School. We have many opportunities to pray within our school day. All those who wish to do so will have regular opportunities to pray, be still and reflect. We have daily Collective Worship which includes opportunities to pray and this is always accompanied by reflection time. We talk about the value of prayer and reflection both in formal and informal contexts and how being still and reflective in our own lives can be helpful. Please also see our Spirituality at Titchmarsh document for more information which can be found [here](#).

Prayer helps us to be calm and still.

Prayer helps us think about ourselves, others and gives us the chance to talk to God.

At the end of Prayers, children and staff are invited to say 'Amen'

Saying Grace

Our Lunchtime Prayer

For food and friends,

We thank you Lord,

Amen

Our School Prayer

We say this prayer at the end of the school day.

Dear Lord,

Bless this our school,

May we always be ready,

To love and to serve you,

And all whom we meet,

Throughout our lives,

Amen

Prayer at the start of our Collective Worship

During our Collective Worship Assembly, a class will say the prayer below as our Collective Worship Candle is lit. Each class takes a turn each week.

Lord Jesus

We light this candle to remind us,
That you are the Light of the world,
As we come together now.
To pray and to praise.
May Your light remove all darkness from our eyes.

Amen



Prayers to close our Collective Worship

At the start of the school year the children write their own prayers which go into our School Prayer Book. At the end of our Collective Worship, one child is invited to say their prayer. Our Prayer Book is kept on our worship table in the hall, where we hold daily acts of worship.



Prayer as part of our Values based Collective Worship

During our Values based Collective Worship the Value Prayer is said by the children for the value that we are reflecting on during that week.

We have six Christian Values:

Faith

Friendship

Honesty

Hope

Love

Respect

These are integral to all we do and form the central part of our Collective Worship themes and prayers. Each of our Value's Prayers have been written by a different class to ensure that they are meaningful and understood by us all.

Our Prayer for Friendship

By Owlets Class (Reception)

Help us God,

To be a good friend,

To share,

To care,

And to do our best.

May our friend's lives' always
be happy and healthy.

Amen

Our prayer for *Honesty*

By Barn Owls (Year 1 and 2)

Dear Lord,
Have the courage to be honest,
Only tell the truth,
Never tell lies,
Everybody can be tempted to tell fibs sometimes,
Say you are sorry,
Take your guidance from Jesus,
You won't ever regret being true to yourself.

Amen

Our prayer for *Hope*

By Tawny Owls (Year 3 and 4)

Dear God,
We hope that everyone is treated the same,
and hope that people aren't filled with shame.
We hope everyone has a house to live in,
and that no one suffers from within.
We hope that everyone is loved for,
and we have peace in the world but no war.
We hope everyone has water to drink that's clean,
and everyone is kind to each other not mean.

We hope no one feels alone,
and they have a friend to call their own.

Amen

Our Prayer for Love

By Snowy owls (Year 5)

Dear Lord,

Thank you for our loving friends,
and family and those who love
and care for us and who are always
there to support us.

Help us to love our pets, our family,
friends and everyone we meet.

Although we might go through tough times,
we know we will always have your love
and the love from those around us.

Amen


A prayer for Respect

By Eagle Owls (Year 6)

Dear Lord,

Help us to treat others as we want to be treated.

May we show respect to our planet.



May we treat possessions, our school and our environment with the respect they deserve.

May you help to guide us through life.

Amen

Faith

The Christian Faith underpins the vision and ethos of our school. It is shared with the wider community and with our church family. We do not have a prayer for our value of faith, even though it is one of our Christian Values as we feel that it is something that is growing and developing in each of us.