Value for reflection: Friendship

‘Encourage one another and build each other up’ (Thessalonians 5.11)

Summer 1 2026

"God gave you that gift...Now let it flourish, as a small flame grows into a fire"

2 Timothy 1: 6 (International Children's Bible)

Opening words/prayer:

We have gathered in the name of God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit to worship together and think about our value:

Friendship

Lighting of candle and welcome:

Teacher: May the peace of the Lord be always with you

All: And also with you.

Close of worship with the Lord’s Prayer, extinguish candle:

Teacher: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

All: In the name of Christ Amen.

Hymns and songs to learn:

Key Stage 1

You’ve got a friend in me (from Toy Story)
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zIYOJ_hSs0o

Every move I Make
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MPvnZILn6EY

My Best Friend
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7JFjruVrrag

Friends Song
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bVCKj0T9-gc

Key Stage 2

Count on me - Bruno Mars (Young voices)

Stand by Me – Ben E King
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tTSjI-_RwEE

You’ve got a friend – Carole King
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BcJbzuyp6VY

Lean on Me – Bill Withers - (use Charanga and introduce some percussion playing)
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jrlhn1H1EWw

Bridge over trouble Water
(NHS choir version with Fix You)
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_GQbHZV-zqY

Pentecost - Pentecost Sunday is celebrated 50 days after Easter. In 2022, it falls on **May 23rd**. This event is celebrated to commemorate the gift of the Holy Spirit. The date of Pentecost changes each year **because it falls exactly seven weeks after Easter Sunday, based on the biblical account of the apostles praying together and the Holy Spirit descending upon them 49 days after the resurrection of Christ**.



Friendship: A real friend is one who walks in when the rest of them walk out.

A true friend brings out the best in you.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
13 Bethany **Week 1 theme: Sticking Together** Roots and Fruits Friendship Resources Roots and Fruits p.97 Introduce our new value – Friendship Plait a friendship bracelet with 3 children. Plaiting the strands takes time and effort, just like building a good friendship. What are the things that make a friendship stronger?	14 Dan **Singing Worship** You’ve got a friend in me (from Toy Story) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zIYOJ_hSs0o	15 Jo **Secular Story about Friendship** Stick and Stone https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XTYfji4YiS0 Q: Do you have a good friend? Q: What do good friends do?	16 **PICTURE NEWS** **Class Based focus on** **British Values and Protected Characteristics**	17 Dan **Celebration Assembly – Parents invited** Celebration of our children’s achievements during their week at St Giles. -Kindness Award -School Mission award (Kindness, compassion or perseverance) -Star of the Week -Outside of school achievement awards -Birthdays
20	21	22	23	24

Shauna **Week 2 theme: Encouraging each other** Roots and Fruits Friendship Resources A good friend encourages you. What happens when we offer encouragement? Ask a child to come to the front. Can you offer some words of encouragement? You have worked so hard today. Each time a child offers encouragement add a Lego brick to a tower – the tower gets taller and taller. Look how tall the tower is now. Kind words can build us up and make us feel taller and better about ourselves.	Dan **Singing Worship** Stand by Me – Ben E King https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tTSjI-_RwEE	Jo **Secular Story about Friendship** The Bear Who Stared by Duncan Beedle https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m48rBDjo_1Y Q: How could we help bear to develop friends? Q: What could bear do to help himself? Q: What if you saw someone like bear in our school? Q: Who can you talk to in school	**PICTURE NEWS** **Class Based focus on** **British Values and Protected Characteristics**	Jo **Celebration Assembly – Parents invited** Celebration of our children's achievements during their week at St Giles. -Kindness Award -School Mission award (Kindness, compassion or perseverance) -Star of the Week -Outside of school achievement awards -Birthdays
27 **Bethany** BANK HOLIDAY	28 Dan **Singing Worship** Friends Song https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bVCKj0T9-gc	29 Jo **Secular Story about Friendship** **The New Girl by Nicola Davies** **Every child has 2 pieces of tissue paper to make a flower for a friend** Q: Have you ever felt like the girl in the story? Q: How do we make new friends feel welcomed into our school?	30 **PICTURE NEWS** **Class Based focus on** **British Values and Protected Characteristics**	1 Paula **Celebration Assembly – Parents invited** Celebration of our children's achievements during their week at St Giles. -Kindness Award -School Mission award (Kindness, compassion or perseverance) -Star of the Week -Outside of school achievement awards -Birthdays
4 Shauna **Week 4 theme: Supporting One Another** Roots and Fruits: 103 - 105 Down through the roof: The Lion Storyteller Bible: pages 94 – 95 or https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8cmppSIQUX4 Roots and Fruits Friendship Resources	5 Dan **Singing Worship** Every move I Make https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MPvnZILn6EY	6 Jo **Secular Story about Friendship** The Way Home for Wolf by Rachel Bright Q: Why did would think he could go off alone? Q: What was it like without friends? Q: What made him change his mind? Q: Who encourages you?	7 **PICTURE NEWS** **Class Based focus on** **British Values and Protected Characteristics**	8 Dan **Celebration Assembly – Parents invited** Celebration of our children's achievements during their week at St Giles. -Kindness Award -School Mission award (Kindness, compassion or perseverance) -Star of the Week -Outside of school achievement awards -Birthdays

11 Bethany **Week 5 theme: Learning to listen** Roots and Fruits page 109. Roots and Fruits Friendship Resources or https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t685WM5R6aM **What did happiness do wrong?** **What did sadness do that helped?** **What should we do when a friend is sad?**	12 Dan **Singing Worship** You've got a friend in me (from Toy Story) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zIYOJ_hSs0o	Jo **https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yAG1L9cbSSo** **Using this video as a stimulus, discuss the idea of friendship.**	14 **PICTURE NEWS** **Class Based focus on** **British Values and Protected Characteristics**	15 Jo **Celebration Assembly – Parents invited** Celebration of our children's achievements during their week at St Giles. -Kindness Award -School Mission award (Kindness, compassion or perseverance) -Star of the Week -Outside of school achievement awards -Birthdays