

## Christian Distinctiveness Meeting, 1<sup>st</sup> May 2024

**Attending:** James Osler, Rev Richard Priest, Katherine Bloomer

**Apologies:** Karen Winterburn, Huw Solly, Tom Stables

**Copy to:** Ed Shire (Chair), Rev Suzanne Grindrod (Priest in Charge)

RP opened in prayer.

<p><b>Minutes from 1<sup>st</sup> February 2024</b></p>	<p><b>Global Neighbours award</b> – no further progress. <a href="https://www.christianaid.org.uk/resources/get-involved/global-neighbours-accreditation-handbook">https://www.christianaid.org.uk/resources/get-involved/global-neighbours-accreditation-handbook</a> Richard and Katherine offered to look at the audit so that in Spring 2025 the school can get going on this.</p> <p><b>Succession planning for Huw</b> – Karen is going to advertise the vacancy. A thank you will be arranged for the Worship Council celebration and the Leavers Service.</p>	<p><b>RP/KB</b></p> <p><b>KW/JO</b></p>
<p><b>Upcoming Events T5 and T6</b></p>	<p><b>Lent &amp; Easter</b> – the resources were well received and the Easter service much enjoyed.</p> <p><b>iSing POP</b> – on 23/4 there was a workshop all day with iSingPOP and the parents enjoyed the celebration worship. Great fun had by all. We'll aim to use the songs in CW.</p> <p><b>Scarecrows</b> – the school will be open and part of the trail.</p> <p><b>Lifepath</b> – all KS2 took part last year, so having a year off.</p> <p><b>Transition</b> – Katherine left the It's Your Move booklets for Y6 to look at in T6. Session booked with Jessy from the Mission Area from 2-3pm on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June.</p> <p><b>Leavers Service</b> – Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2.15pm. Katherine to top and tail, school to plan. St Peter's will provide Youth Bibles as gifts.</p> <p><b>Value Storytelling</b> – Katherine was in Hercules on 30/4 and will book a date for T6.</p>	<p><b>KB/HR</b></p>
<p><b>Church/School links</b></p>	<p>Langley Fitzurse received the award in 2020. We are invited to reapply every 3 years, and awards are now given for Bronze, Silver and Gold. Katherine will review and invite the PCC, Richard and the school to input.</p>	<p><b>KB</b></p>
<p><b>Worship Council/Pupil Voice</b></p>	<p><b>Worship Council</b> – met on 4<sup>th</sup> March, minutes still to come. Booked for Tm 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 2.30pm.</p> <p><b>10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration</b> – 4<sup>th</sup> July PM with Bishop of Swindon. The Worship Council is creating an invitation. Theme: Past, Present and Future. Unfortunately, Y6's are double booked so can't attend. So, the 'new' Y6's will be elected in time to take part. The school is working on inviting past pupils. Ann Dixson has accepted; waiting to hear from Claire Cunningham; Fi Redmond unavailable; waiting to hear from Sam Perry. Rev Suzanne coming;</p>	<p><b>School/ KB</b></p>

	waiting to hear back from Liz Townend. Katherine will put an advert in the June magazine.	
<b>RE</b>	<p>Chameleon are visiting the church on 3/5 to think about how the church building helps Christians to worship. Hercules are coming on 7/5 to think about Special Place. Katherine has created worksheets for both classes. Richard to come along and monitor RE.</p> <p><b>WIRE award</b> – a visit to another place of worship has not been finalised this year, so we will start again in the new academic year.</p>	<b>JO/RP</b>
<b>SIAMS</b>	<p>Areas for development from the SIAMS June 2023:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure that monitoring, carried out by all leaders, consistently reflects on the impact of the school's vision so that it drives development as a Church school.</li> <li>• Embed the language of spirituality across the school so that pupils and adults can see spirituality pervades all areas of school life.</li> <li>• Extend the opportunities for pupils to develop an understanding of Christianity as a global religion so that they might deepen their knowledge and appreciation of diversity in religious and non-religious worldviews</li> </ul>	
<b>Any Other Business</b>	<p>The school expect Ofsted in the Autumn, and so this is the main focus for the time being.</p> <p><b>Back to School with God service</b> – Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September. Katherine to send details for school to advertise to ALL families.</p>	<b>KB</b>
<b>Date of next meeting</b>	1.30pm, Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> September, 2024	