

What are  
you grateful  
for today?

At St. Johns our values are integral to all our daily lives, how we teach and what our children learn.

Within the context of a broad, inclusive Christian framework, we are working together to develop a school where individuals can excel and flourish academically, socially and emotionally preparing them for life's journey. Each person is uniquely valued and their gifts and potential are nurtured and developed. Each member of the school knows he or she belongs to all the other members and accepts the responsibility of caring for one another and for the wonderful world we have been given.

'Let all you do be done  
in love'

1 Corinthians 16v14



Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, endures all things. Love never ends.

1 Corinthians 13:4-8

'Spread love everywhere you go.  
Let no one ever come to you  
without leaving happier'

Mother Theresa

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## OUR CHRISTIAN VALUES

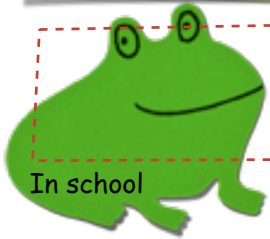
"Living, Loving, Learning with  
thankfulness and hope"

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St John the Baptist Primary School  
Titchfield Common



## Love



In school

We explore that love is expressed in action and practical care - for example, offering help; being there when times are difficult. We recognise that Love isn't easy (see 1 Corinthians 13). It involves perseverance; taking time; listening; sharing hard times; being thoughtful. We develop the concept that love is powerful - motivating good causes; making a difference; overcoming barriers of prejudice and bringing people together. We develop an understanding that to love means putting other people's needs before your own.

### Love in action.

Show love through being patient and kind with others.

Offer to help with jobs around the house without being asked!

1 Corinthians 16 v 14 - Do everything in love



## Thankfulness

In school

We consider all the things we are thankful for and the ways in which we can show our gratitude. It is important to let others know when we are thankful and not take things for granted. We learn to show practical ways of showing gratitude to each other and learn about ways we can care for those less fortunate than ourselves. We understand that when we are thankful we can show this in our care of others - displaying generosity and kindness.

### Thankfulness in action.

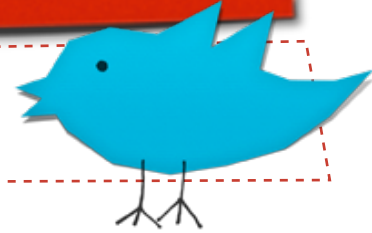
Can you list things you are thankful for today?

Send a thank you letter or card to someone to show you are grateful.

1 Thessalonians 5 v 18 - In everything give thanks



## Hope



In school

We develop an understanding that hope is much more than just wishing as hard as we can that things can be different. We learn that we can share in the joy that comes from the belief that all is never lost.

We learn that hope generates energy and gives confidence: it sustains us through difficult times. "Hope" in the Bible means "a strong and confident expectation." Christians see their hope in God's promise "that love and goodness, have and will ultimately, overcome all evil".

### Hope questions

What hopes do you have for the future?

When someone feels hopeless - what can you do to give them hope?

Psalms 71 v 14 - As for me, I will always have hope