

CIRCLE TIME: YEARS: 5 & 6

Virtue 3 – Autumn 2 – Hope:

I trust that God's love has no end and that He is at work in my life and in the world.

PSHCE:

Make the most of our abilities.

Knowledge:

Know that it is right to Trust in God.

Hope in God together

Skills:

Set personal goals and not give up hope.

Attitudes:

Value opportunities for new experiences, even if they are difficult.

Know God Loves us and have Trust in God.

Statements for Assessment:

I know I can make mistakes.

I keep trying and do not give up and have hope in God.

I appreciate new experiences, even if they are difficult and use my strengths to keep me going.

Circle Time Rules:

We listen to each other.

We do not say or do anything that would hurt another person.

We signal when we want to say something.

We may say pass.

If a game involves touch we may sit and watch before making a decision to join in.

Skills - Thinking, Looking, Listening, Speaking, Concentrating:

Throughout Circle Time it is vital that teachers praise children for using the above skills.

Step 1. Reflection

Show the children the piece of dead wood.

In winter, the ground can look dead and dark, like this piece of wood. The snow comes and the ground becomes hard and cold. Then, suddenly, up pops a beautiful flower - the snowdrop! It helps us to realize that no matter how dark and bad things become, there is still hope in the darkness.

Step 2. Round.

Pass a dish of water – each child with a pebble – say out loud (or in their heads) what are their hopes for the future

Step 3. Open Forum

What are your hopes for the future?

What are your hopes for this year?

Let's make the decision always to try hard, but also to be good and honest people as we work towards our dreams.

Trigger statement:

This week I am going to...

Step 4. Celebration

Ask the children to look around the circle. Is there anyone they would like to nominate someone who has given them hope. Eg – I nominate Jack because he gave me hope when he helped me with my spellings.

Step 5. Ending Ritual

Sing a hymn

'We are marching in the light of God' (see link below)

<https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=we+are+marching+in+the+light+of+god+youtube&view=detail&mid=47FB04EC3C028D21F4EA47FB04EC3C028D21F4EA&FORM=VIRE>

'Father, I place into Your hands' (Mission Praise)