HONESTY CIRCLE TIME: UPPER KEY STAGE 2

Virtue 11 – Summer 2 Honesty – is telling the truth. It is speaking the truth without exaggerating or omitting things. It is having the courage to admit the truth even when it is hard to do. When you are honest, you can be trusted. When you are trustworthy, you can be relied on to do something and to keep the promises you have made. You have integrity, when you are honest to others and to yourself; you do not try to be like someone you are not, you are your true self. When you are honest, your actions match your words: you practise what you preach.

Knowledge:

I know that it is right to tell the truth even when I find it difficult. I know I have to be honest with myself, I know I should THINK before I speak.

Skills

Be Honest, tell the truthful kindly, and let my actions match my words.

Attitudes:

If we are honest, our friends can trust us and we can trust them. Honesty means doing the right thing even if no one is around.

Statements for Assessment:

I tell the truth.

I am reliable and trustworthy.

My actions match my words.

I am honest with myself and others even when it is difficult.

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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. Watch Matilda told such dreadful lies.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4FE9SLJ2Xoc

Step 2. Round

Children think about other stories or characters they know who are dishonest and get comeuppance (consequence of telling lies).

Step 3. Open Forum

Children say three statements – two truths and a lie – children have to guess which one is the lie. Teacher to model first.

Step 4. Reflection

Christians believe that they should be totally honest in all that they do because God is honest. Dishonesty usually leads to more lies, hurt and causes injustice. For every lie you tell you need another to cover up. It is better to tell the truth in the first place.

Step 5. Ending Ritual

In silence, say sorry to God for the times you have been dishonest and ask God to help you be more honest in all you do in the future.