

FAITH CIRCLE TIME: YEAR: 1/2

Virtue 5 Faith:

Faith is Trust

Faith helps us to put our Trust in God

Knowledge:

People have Faith. People gain strength from their faith. People grow in faith and strengthen their Friendship with God. People make decision because of their Faith.

Skills:

Demonstrate acceptance and respect for others.

Attitudes:

Appreciate that people have different Faiths.

Appreciate that people can gain strength from their Faith

Signs of Living the Virtue:

Virtue 5 Faith:

I know God loves me and I trust God to take care of me

I ask God to guide in my life

I spend time with God in moments of quiet and prayer

I share my belief in God with others

My words and actions show my faith in God's love

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. Game

Wink Statues

The children sit in an inward-facing circle. A detective is chosen and leaves the room. A wizard is then chosen. The detective returns and stands in the centre of the circle. The wizard then winks at a chosen child, trying to do so unobserved by the detective (e.g. winking when the detective's back is turned). The child must "freeze" until the end of the game. The game continues with more "victims" until the detective identifies the wizard.

Step 2. Round

Teacher starts the round off by talking about why he/she puts Faith in God

Trigger statement:

"I put Faith in God when"

Step 3. Open Forum

Puppet has a friend who does not know about God He/she would like a friend to tell him or her about how Jesus is our friend do?

Children with a "Jesus is my friend because

Step 4. Celebration

Children nominate someone who is a good friend of Jesus and the class – All give then a silent cheer.

Step 5. Ending Ritual

Children make up a sign for 'I'm OK', 'You're OK' and pass it round the circle.

Resources

Open Forum puppet