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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Re: School Values Home Learning Task

Thank you to all of the families who completed a piece of work linked to our school value of friendship last half term!

Exploring Our School Values:

We take pride in our six core values: love, honesty, respect, peace, endurance, and friendship. These values form the foundation of our school community, guide our actions and interactions every day and are an outward sign of our school vision.

British Values:

Within school, we promote the four British values: democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, and mutual respect and tolerance for those of different faiths and beliefs. The DfE aims for children to have a clear understanding on the British values and ensure young people leave school prepared for life in modern Britain. Because of this, we are going to link our school values to the British values during our homework tasks. For more information on British values please follow the link to our school website - <https://www.stjamesprimary.co.uk/curriculum/british-values>.

Home Learning with a Purpose:

Each half term, we focus on one specific school value, and we invite your child, along with your support, to undertake a creative project that reflects the essence of that value linked to a British value. These home projects are open-ended and can be completed in any way that you desire. If your child is a keen artist, then they can complete the task through art or if they are a keen writer, they can write. The possibilities for completion are endless!

Spring 1: Endurance

Our second value for exploration is 'endurance'.

To help your child get started, here are some project ideas that you may wish to use:

- Design a poster, junk model or create a collage.
- Use technology (e.g., create a video or presentation)
- Read a book about endurance and write a book review with how it links to British values.
- Depict a story about endurance from the Bible in a creative format of your choice, explaining how it shows the British values (comic strip, PowerPoint, art, etc.).

Remember, these are just a few ideas to inspire your creativity. Feel free to let your imagination run wild and create a project that resonates with your child's interests and talents.

Celebrating Student Work:

We are eager to showcase the incredible projects that will emerge so please ensure that your completed projects are handed in to your child's teacher by Friday 31st January 2025. Each class teacher will select one outstanding endurance project related to the British values. The chosen student will receive one of our school values badges, symbolising their dedication to our core values in a service in church.

Value-Themed Service:

To conclude the half term, we will hold a special value-themed service in our church, where the selected students will have the opportunity to share their work with the entire school community and receive their values badge in front of their parents/carers. This service will be a heartwarming celebration of the efforts and creativity of our students in connection with our school values.

We are excited to see the home learning projects and believe it will deepen your child's understanding of our school and British values while fostering family collaboration and creativity. If you have any questions or require further guidance, please don't hesitate to reach out to us.

Thank you for your continued support as we embark on this exciting journey of exploring and celebrating our school and British values.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'D. S. Heather', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mr Heather
Headteacher