

Shine a light on...

Koinonia



Summer 2 Half term



What the bible says about koinonia.



IF WE WALK IN THE LIGHT, AS HE IS IN THE LIGHT, WE HAVE FELLOWSHIP WITH ONE ANOTHER.

1 JOHN 1:7

It takes a community to raise a child.

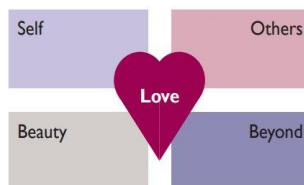
This term, we will be thinking about the value of koinonia—a special word from the Bible that means fellowship, sharing, and belonging to a community. It reminds us how important it is to feel connected, to support one another, and to be part of something bigger than ourselves.

At school, koinonia shines when children include others in games, help friends who are feeling sad, or work together as a team. It's there when we celebrate each other's successes and lend a hand during challenges. In our classrooms, we practise koinonia by listening kindly, sharing ideas, and respecting everyone's voice.

At home, children can show koinonia by helping with small tasks, caring for family members, and making time to talk and listen. Even simple acts—like setting the table, saying thank you, or showing kindness to a sibling—help build that sense of togetherness.

Koinonia and Our Spiritual Lives

Koinonia is deeply linked to our spiritual development. It helps us reflect on ourselves and how our actions affect others. It makes us think about how we can show love, kindness, and patience in everyday moments.



Why does koinonia matter?

Koinonia helps children feel secure, loved, and valued. It teaches them that they are not alone, and that being part of a community means looking after each other. These values help our children grow into compassionate, responsible individuals—something we all want to nurture.

You can read our chosen bible story on our website to see how Jesus valued Koinonia. [Church Hill C of E Junior School - Koinonia](#)

How can children show koinonia?

Be welcoming - invite others to join in.

Be helpful - offer to support someone without being asked.

Be thankful - appreciate others' efforts, big or small.

Be kind - use words and actions to lift others up.

Let's keep growing this spirit of koinonia, both in our school family and at home. Together, we can create a place where everyone belongs.

Homework activities

Choose one out of the 2 homework activities given below. It is to be handed in Friday 28th June.

Write a short poem about what koinonia means to you. Koinonia is all about friendship, sharing, love, and being part of a community. Think about times when you've felt included, supported, or part of a group. Use words that describe koinonia, like: together, love, sharing, kindness, belonging, welcome, support, care. Your poem can rhyme if you want, but it doesn't have to! Be creative - you can decorate your poem with drawings or borders if you want to make it special.

Go for a walk with your family and look for things in your local area that show a sense of community spirit—places, people, or actions that help others feel welcome, cared for, or connected. Here are some ideas of what to look out for:

- A friendly shopkeeper who always says hello.
- A community garden or well-kept park
- A noticeboard with local events or helpful information
- A bench or play area where people gather.

Choose 3-5 things that stand out to you. For each one: Take a photo (if you can), or draw a picture of it when you get home. Write a sentence or two explaining what it is and why it shows community spirit.