

Shine a light on...

Koinonia



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COMMUNITY
IS ABOUT DOING SOMETHING
TOGETHER
THAT MAKES BELONGING
MATTER.

Love one another
with brotherly
affection. Outdo one
another in showing
honour. [Romans 12:10](#)

"There is no
power for change
greater than a
community
discovering what
it cares about."

MARGARET J. WHEATLEY



What the
bible says
about
koinonia.

In the heart of our school community lies a concept that nurtures a sense of belonging - Koinonia. Derived from the Greek word meaning fellowship or communion, Koinonia embodies the essence of shared life and mutual support within our school community.

We recognise the value of extending the boundaries of family beyond the traditional sense. In embracing Koinonia, we understand that our students and staff are more than just classmates and colleagues; they are our extended school family. This interconnectedness fosters a spirit of warmth, collaboration, and unity, creating a nurturing environment for academic and personal growth.

Beyond the classroom, Koinonia provides a safety net of support for students and staff alike. From celebrating academic achievements to offering encouragement during challenging times, our extended school family stands ready to share in the various aspects of the learning experience. In the nurturing environment of Koinonia, our school thrives.

We want to see how you have got involved in koinonia. You have 2 weeks to complete one of the following tasks below for your Value homework activity. Your teacher will have told you which one they would like you to focus on.

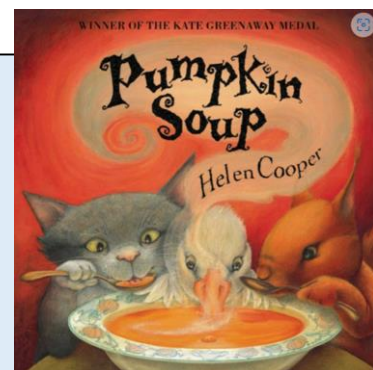
Offer some together time. There is nothing greater than the joy of spending quality time with others. Take time to put the technology aside and play a game, go for a walk, play in the park or whatever else takes your fancy. What did you enjoy? Why? How did it make you feel?

Why not support your local community by paying a visit to Thurmaston library. Look here for opening hours. [Thurmaston Library | Leicestershire County Council](#)

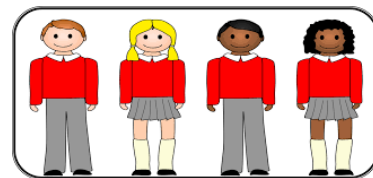
GLOBAL KOINONIA
Our world is also our community – albeit a rather big one! Find out how countries work together in the United Nations for the good of the global community. When was the UN founded? Why was it set up? Who was involved? What is its purpose? Again, present your findings in a poster or fact file.

Think about who helps us in our local community, such as doctors, nurses, librarians, refuse collectors. Research one of them to find out what exactly they do, what you need to do to become one and how they help in our community. You could present your ideas in a poster or fact file.

Share this heart-warming story about making a



difference in your community. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ha9U6sr1Gcl&pp=ygUXchVtcGtpbiBzb3VwIHJlYWQgYWxvdWQ%3D> Also, take time to listen to the parable of the Good Samaritan [The Good Samaritan \(Luke 10:25-37\)](#) ([youtube.com](#))



For those of us with new children to the school in our class, can you make them feel welcome in our Church Hill family? Think about how you would like someone to treat you if you were new and unsure and do this to others.