



Ripple of Prayer

By Emma Bradley



Welcome to our prayer newsletter!

We are so excited to join together with our new Vicar, George White, on our journey in Faith.

As a Church of England school, prayer and worship are central to our school identity. Our second prayer meeting was on Monday 28th March in the Studio. This newsletter aims to spread ripples of prayer even further through our school community through sharing some of our prayer requests. Please note, any names must be anonymised for GDPR regulations.

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UKRAINE AND
REFUGEES

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OUR VICAR AND OUR
COMMUNITY

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INDIVIDUALS AND
REQUESTS

Next prayer meeting will also include planning for an outdoor prayer space for a focus week in the Summer.

Monday 6th June
3.30-4.00pm, The Studio (old ICT suite).
All are welcome!

In our school

On Wednesday 30th March, South Wilford hosted a TeamFaith Spring Celebration. Our Year 4 were joined by Year 4 classes from Zaytouna Muslim School, Sneinton C of E and Bulwell C of E came to join our Year 4 classes to teach each other about Easter from a Christian and Islamic perspective. The event was attended by guests from the diocese, Trust schools and leadership and was LiveStreamed. Very well done to Year 4 for your contributions on the Three Trees and thanks to all who made this possible.

We prayed for

1. **Ukraine** - George began our worship and we thanked God for all he is and all he has done for us. We began to pray for the crisis in Ukraine and all those in our community whose loved ones are affected by this. We prayed for a member of staff who is taking a refugee family into their home, that the papers will be sorted quickly and for their happiness and security in the UK.
2. **Our community** - we prayed for connections in our community, between schools, church, businesses and individuals.
3. **Individuals and requests** - We prayed for George and his family as they settle in to St Wilfrid's Church and the local community. We prayed for the children in our school community from Hong Kong, that new families will feel welcome, settled and supported. We prayed for Y4, who have had a very busy week. We prayed for good health for all staff, children and families over the Easter holidays. We prayed for the faith of our parents and children.

Thanks to all who joined us for the KS1 and KS2 Easter Services in Church on Thursday 31st March.

What does Easter mean to you and your family? We'd love to know!

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WHAT DOES FAITH MEAN TO YOU? -MRS UDEH, TA AND MFL LEADER (MATERNITY LEAVE)

There has never been a time that faith wasn't a major part of my life,

having been blessed to grow up in a Christian family. As a child, I made the decision for myself to trust in Jesus and live out a personal faith. I attended a Church of England primary school which had many similarities to South Wilford, so working here is a real joy to be able to continue to share the same encouragement and provide children with opportunities to explore faith, like I experienced as a child.

Prayer is very important to me, as it's just communication with God – you can't have a relationship with someone if you never communicate with them! I have seen many prayers answered, both within and outside of school life. It's a comfort to know that our prayers are heard, especially as we go through challenging circumstances, and there is confidence that comes from knowing that prayer is powerful and actually changes things (even if it's not always in the way we expect!) I'm by no means a perfect pray-er, but I try to respond to things with prayer instead of worry and fear, in a world with so much to make us anxious and fearful. Praying also helps me to recognise that whilst there are always areas in which we would pray for help or change, there are also so many things for which we can give thanks.