

As a school, this term we are focusing on the Catholic Social Teaching value of 'Solidarity and The Common Good'.

This focuses on the fact that:

Jesus is the Prince of Peace. He said "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you." (John 14:27)

If we are truly friends of Jesus we will treat everyone with respect. (James 2:1) 'We are one world, one family - living in peace.'

This will be looked at in class, as well as throughout the curriculum but we thought it would also be lovely to see how the children are exploring this value at home and ask that you share photos/videos of them doing so. We will be awarding a special 'Catholic Social Teaching Dojo Point' for those that share how they are living out this value, and in addition, the children will have the opportunity to be awarded the Laudato Si Award at the end of term.

Here are some suggestions of how they could show this term's value of 'Solidarity and The Common Good':

- What does peace mean to you? Are there different sorts of peace? What examples of peace can you think of at home? In school? In our parish? In our community? In our country? In our world? Share your ideas through art; photography; a speech; writing; or a poem
- Make a peace poster which you can put up in your window
- Write the sentence "Peace is..." and tell us what you think peace is
- Research the life of St Francis of Assisi who lived in peace with his fellow man and all the animals

We play together. We help each other. We bring peace to each other. We learn together. We celebrate together. We are grateful for each other. We listen to each other. We walk alongside each other in times of peace and of challenge.

Together, we help build God's Kingdom.

We look forward to celebrating the different ways you and your children will show this value this term.