



As a school, this term we are focusing on the Catholic Social Teaching value of **'Option for the poor and vulnerable.'**

This focuses on the fact that: "God wants us to help people who are poor, who don't have enough food, a safe place to live, or a community.

A basic moral test is how our most vulnerable members are faring. In a society marred by deepening divisions between rich and poor, our tradition recalls the story of the Last Judgment (Mt 25:31-46) and instructs us to put the needs of the poor and vulnerable first.

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 'Option for the poor and vulnerable' by:

- ♥ Purchase something in your shopping and donate it to the Foodbank.
- ☛ Find a bible story which shows option for the poor and vulnerable and share with your class.
- ♥ Fundraising for a charitable cause.
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Remember there are different communities, and different ways to belong.  
Together we can all help to create God's kingdom.

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