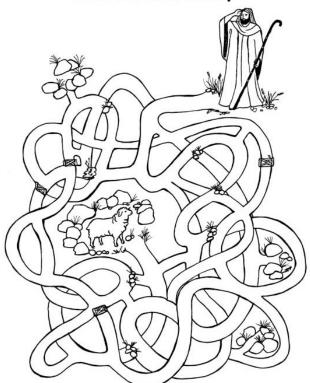
The Parable of the Lost Sheep is one of the parables of Jesus. It appears in the Gospels of Matthew (Matthew 18:12-14) and Luke (Luke 15:3-7).

- Why was the shepherd so concerned about one sheep out of a hundred?
- Why do you think the sheep got lost?
- \* What did the shepherd do with the lost sheep when he found it?
- How did his actions show he loved the sheep?

Help the Shepherd find the lost sheep



Archbishop Dr Rowan Williams describes a school's Christian Values as

'What is distinctive about a Christian based school. Something to do with ethos atmosphere and the way in which people feel valued.'

At Kibworth these values are integral to all our daily lives, how we teach and what our children learn. Our school is a place where:

- \* Children and adults alike are engaged on a lifetime's journey
- \* Each person is uniquely valued and their gifts and potential are nurtured and developed
- \* Each member of the school knows he or she belongs to all the other members and accepts the responsibility of caring for one another and for God's world.

Our aim is to provide a safe environment in which a child is valued and in which a child can find security, acceptance, reassurance and an opportunity to develop their potential. We aim to create a caring and happy community in which Christian values are upheld.

We teach religion all day long
We teach it in arithmetic by accuracy
We teach it in language by learning to say what we
mean—yea, yea or nay, nay
We teach it in history by humanity
We teach it in geography by breadth of mind
We teach it in handicraft by thoroughness
We teach it in astronomy by reverence
We teach it by good manners to one another, and by
truthfulness in all things.
We teach pupils to build Christianity out of the actual
relationships in which they stand to their teachers

and their school fellows.

#### Koinonia

The special relationship that we have with each other. Where we as a community look after each other.



# Our Christian Values



#### Koinonia is a way of life:

It's about quality of community and relationships. A test of the quality of koinonia in school is how it is shown in people's lives outside school.



### Koinonia and school values:

Koinonia is clear from how the school values and rewards behaviour and achievements; it underpins all the school values



## Koinonia in collective worship:

- The rituals we use (the cross, lighting the three candles and the welcome song) help build community
  - Everyone is able to participate
  - Pupils and staff share in leading Worship
  - We all contribute our ideas and respect those of others

## The Community as the Body of Christ:

1 Corinthians 12.12-31 describes a body in which each part has a vital contribution to make. When one part of the body hurts, the whole body hurts, when one part is honoured, the whole body is honoured.



#### Koinonia in school:

- · Everyone fees included
- · People support one another
- Everyone makes a contribution and gives of themselves
- Everyone knows they are valued and important
- The values of the school have a positive impact on the local community and beyond



Jesus often taught his disciples things about God by telling them stories about things that happen every day. These stories are called parables.

In the parable of the lost sheep, there was a man who had a hundred sheep. Every morning he took them from the fold (a place where they stayed at night) on a hillside and led them to new, fresh pastures. Later in the day he would them to a quiet stream, or, if there wasn't any stream nearby, he would draw water from a well for them to drink. At night the good shepherd took them up the hill again to the fold. Everyday the sheep followed the shepherd wherever he took them. He called them by name and they came to him. Every night he would count them to make sure they were all there.

One night one little sheep was missing. Somehow it had strayed away and became lost. If the shepherd left it and didn't go look for it, it would surely be killed by some wild animals. The shepherd did not want to leave it. He left the other sheep and went to find it. He went searching until he found the lost one. (Matthew 18:12-13) When he found it, it was tired, hungry and cold. The good shepherd put the little sheep on his shoulder and carried it back to the fold. He did not scold it, but he rejoiced and was very happy that he had found the little sheep. In this parable, the shepherd was Jesus. (John 10:11) The sheep are men, women and children. Jesus was showing the disciples that God and Jesus really care for us and they want us to be one of

their lambs, or sheep.