

Hanuman Jayanti

In the Hindu epic Ramayana Hanuman is worshipped for his unyielding devotion to **Rama** and is remembered for his self-less dedication and devotion which are demonstrated through hard work or service.

Hanuman said "I am a humble messenger of Sri Rama. I have come here to serve Rama, to do His work. By the command of Lord Rama, I have come here. I am fearless by the Grace of Lord Rama."

In return for his unconditional love, Lord Rama granted him everlasting life. He promised that he would be worshipped alongside Rama and that his idol would be placed next to his.



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 life-time'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.*

Service

Service means doing something for the benefit of others or doing something for your country.



Our Christian Values



Kibworth CE
Primary School

A place of discovery and friendship

Service

Christian Service is a revolutionary concept. The notion of service calls us to lay selfish things aside for the needs of others. It is also an important value in all relationships.

Jesus said that he 'came not to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.'

Life is never so busy that there is no time to serve.

Anonymous

Can you remember ever thinking that you were too busy to help someone in need?

The story of Jesus washing the feet of his disciples at the Last Supper is well known—this is where he takes on the role of the lowest servant rather than that of the master. Jesus tells us clearly the meaning of this action: 'Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. I have set you an example that you should do as I have done.'

Serving God, means serving others.

What are we doing in school to learn about Service?

Jesus was called the 'servant king': we are learning that his mission was to serve God and to serve all those people he met, through his teaching, his example and the way he led his life.

We are finding out about unsung heroes who serve us at school, at our church, at home and in our village. We are also finding out about ways in which we can serve others at school, at our church, at home and in our village.

Words of Wisdom

"There is more happiness in giving than in receiving"
Acts 20

Hall of Fame

No joy can equal the joy of serving others.

Sai Baba

JK Rowling is best known for writing the Harry Potter novels. She was awarded the OBE for "services to children's literature". She used some of the money she had earned from her books to create a charity called The Lumos Foundation. This charity has changed the lives of orphaned children in Eastern Europe.

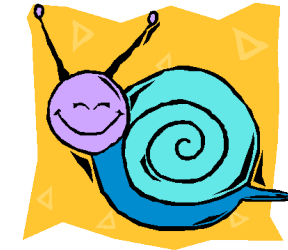
Service at home

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Some things to think about:

- How are we encouraged to "find" our gifts and to use them for the good at home and in the Kibworth community?
- How do you show gratitude for those who serve / help you?

Can you complete a 'service snail'. Living a life of service is about keeping your eyes open and looking



for ways to make others smile. Draw a large smiley snail. Can you fill in on the spirals on the snail's shell with ways in which as a family you serve each other in one week?

Luke 10:33-34 But a Samaritan, as he travelled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, took him to an inn and took care of him.

Can you explain how the Good Samaritan showed service?

