



Collective Worship Spring 3 & 4 2019	
Wisdom	Perseverance
<p>Christians believe that true wisdom comes from God. As a believer grows in faith so wisdom will increase. In the Bible wisdom is seen both as a gift <i>from</i> God and a characteristic <i>of</i> God. In his parables Jesus taught that placing trust in God and recognising what is of values in life brings fulfilment.</p> <p><u>Reflecting as a Whole School community:</u> Some questions to consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How are pupils encouraged to act responsibly and think about the wisdom of their words and actions?</li> <li>• Are school members actively praised for making sensible and wise choices?</li> <li>• Which areas of the curriculum enable the children to consider the importance of thoughtfulness and wisdom?</li> <li>• How can children be helped to appreciate the wisdom of others?</li> <li>• How are children helped to understand the difference between being clever and being wise?</li> <li>• Do children encounter words of wisdom from many different sources?</li> <li>• How are children taught to respect the wisdom of parents and teachers?</li> <li>• How are adults in the school helped to recognise the spiritual wisdom of the pupils?</li> <li>• How do you encourage pupils to reflect on what is of real value in life?</li> </ul>	<p>Jesus frequently encouraged his disciples to 'endure patiently' the difficulties and obstacles they encountered and to persevere in the face of adversity. He himself trusted in God even when his enemies tried to stop his work and plotted his death.</p> <p><u>Reflecting as a Whole School community:</u> Some questions to consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How are pupils encouraged and given skills to persevere through difficult times?</li> <li>• What practical resources does the school draw on to help pupils who are struggling to succeed and achieve, and how does the school support and encourage them in their endeavours?</li> <li>• How does the school marking policy encourage perseverance and tenacity?</li> <li>• How do learning and teaching strategies encourage and motivate children?</li> <li>• How do you help children understand that hard work in all curriculum areas is worth the effort?</li> </ul>
<p><u>Weekly themes:</u> Wisdom from the tree of life. The wisdom of building on secure foundations. Learning wisdom from our parents. The wise king. Making wise decisions.</p>	<p><u>Weekly themes:</u> Persevering with the truth. Persevering to finish the job. Persevering to the end. God's persevering love. Perseverance and self-belief.</p>