



FRIENDSHIP
COURAGE
HOPE
FORGIVENESS

Welcome to our Family Values Newsletter, which brings together some of the thoughts and themes we'll be exploring in school this half term for you to continue at home whenever the opportunity arises. This half term our focus is on **joy** – a value that feels especially fitting as we move through the Autumn term towards Christmas, a time filled with warmth, kindness, and shared happiness. It's a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the joy we find in learning, friendship, and community.

Mrs Williams



"This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it." Psalm 118: 24

Autumn 2 - 2025

This month, we are exploring the value of

JOY

*May the
Miracle of
Christmas
fill your heart
with joy.*

DETERMINATION
WISDOM
TRUST
JOY
THANKFULNESS
PEACE
TRUTH
LOVE

Talk about...



What does this mean?

What things in your life are 'ordinary'?

Do you have to try hard to find joy in them or does it come easily?

When was the last time you were full of joy?

In the Bible, it says that the fruit of the Holy Spirit is 'love, **JOY**, peace, patience, kindness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control'.

If **joy** is a fruit, describe it.

What colour is joy?

If **joy** is a smell, where does it come from?

What food is **joy** – what does it taste like?

If **joy** is a person, what do they do?

Perhaps **joy** is music, if so, what does it sound like?

If **joy** is a place, where is it and what could you do there?

If **joy** is a magic spell, what could it do and what are the magic words?

Enjoy! Be joyful!

Do at home...

Every month, you could get **ten team points** for your house by completing a challenge. This month's is quite simple...

If joy is in us, then ask your parent or carer to take a photo of you showing that joy. Sometimes it's when we least expect it that pure joy comes from us. Ask them to email it to school and we'll print it out and put it on display. How many photos of joy can we add to our display?



"Joy is not in things; it is in us."

— Richard Wagner

