

# What's happening in the news this week?



Let's have a look at this week's poster!

5th - 11th January 2026



# Read, Know, Grow.

## Christian Value: Wisdom



God



Creation



Fall



People of God



Incarnation



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- Why do we read?
- Do you think reading is important? Why?
- How does reading make you feel?
- Does reading always have to be from a book? Are there different ways to experience it? How so?



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**What role will  
reading play in our  
future?**

CHILDREN'S FICTION





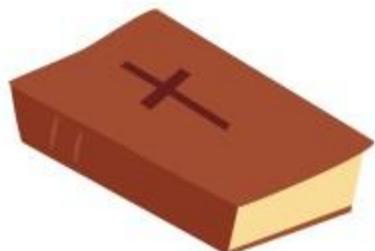
# What does the Bible have to say?





The Bible encourages Christians to be curious, through asking questions and seeking out knowledge.

Christians believe a wise person knows there is always more to learn about God, being a good person, and the world around us.





The heart of the discerning acquires knowledge, for the ears of the wise seek it out.

**Proverbs 18:15**





# What do others think?





**“The more that you read, the more things you will know, the more that you learn, the more places you'll go.”**

**Dr. Seuss – author and illustrator**



# Time to be quiet and to pray





## Prayer

Dear God,

Thank You for giving us the opportunity to read and learn.

Please help us to be curious and seek out new knowledge every day.

Amen.



# Continue thinking





## **Key Stage 1 class discussion**

- What do you enjoy about reading? Why?
- Do you have a favourite place to read? What makes it special?
- What are some different ways we can learn from reading?
- Do you prefer reading physical books, e-books, or listening to audiobooks? Why?



## **Key Stage 2 class discussion**

- What does it mean to be curious?
- How might reading help us be curious?
- What skills do you think reading develops?
- Is reading the only way to develop these skills? How so?
- In a world full of technology, is it still important to hold a book and read the words? Why?



**How can we use our reading  
for curiosity and knowledge  
this week and beyond?**



# Time to worship

The wise man built his house upon the rock  
Click [here](#) for the hymn online





The wise man built his house upon the rock  
The wise man built his house upon the rock  
The wise man built his house upon the rock  
And the rains came tumbling down





The rains came down and the floods came up  
The rains came down and the floods came up  
The rains came down and the floods came up  
And the house on the rock stood firm





The foolish man built his house upon the sand  
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The rains came down and the floods came up  
The rains came down and the floods came up  
The rains came down and the floods came up  
And the house on the sand went crash



# Collective Worship



## Pupil involvement

Begin by showing the children three different types of objects: a mirror, a window, and a door. Ask the children what each object does. A mirror shows yourself, a window shows you the world outside, and a door lets you go somewhere. Discuss with the children that books are magical because they can be all three of these things at once. Ask the children: Can you think of a time when a book has taught you something about yourself? Can you remember a time a book made you feel a strong emotion (like worry or excitement) for a character or person who was different from you? What did that feeling teach you? Have you ever read a book which inspired you to take action? How so? Conclude that a book can be a magical object that acts as a mirror to reveal your own story, a window to explore the diverse world, and a door that inspires you to step up and act.

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## Worship song

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