

Week 1 Friendship

Welcome – Hope you are all staying safe. I am missing going into school and seeing everyone. We can still join together to spend time thinking about our school values and worshipping God together.

Value – The value for this term is Friendship.

Who is your best friend? What do you like about them? What makes them special?

My best friend is someone I have known since I was a baby. We only see each other a few times a year but I know I can tell her anything. She knows the real me. We trust each other. Every Christmas and birthday we send each other funny presents; presents that we know will make the other one laugh. I can't see her at the moment but we message each other and I pray for her and her family.

Story – The story this week is about being Best Friends and is about David (better known for killing Goliath) and his friend Jonathan. After David had killed Goliath, he moved into King Saul's palace and became best friends with King Saul's son Jonathan. But things weren't always easy.

Listen to the story on YouTube - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Lqh-ghbC_mU&t=12s

Things to think about -

What sort of friend do you think Jonathan was?

They stayed friends even when things were tough and they couldn't see each other. How did that make them feel?

What do you think helped them when they couldn't see each other?

What helps you when you can't see your friends?

Christians believe that God can be like a best friend. We can tell him when we are sad or lonely and share with him our troubles.

At the moment, you may not be able to see your friends but what things could you do to stay in touch?

Could you write them a letter? Make them a friendship bracelet? Draw them a picture?

Maybe you could draw a picture of a special friend and write a few sentences about why they are special and send it to them.

Think about when you can see all your friends again. What things might you plan to do? I know I am already starting to think about things I would like to do with my friends when it is safe to go out and do them. I have written a list of places I would like to visit.

Prayer – Dear God, Thank you for our friends. Help us to know how to help them when they are in trouble or feeling sad. Help me also to remember all the happy times we have shared. Amen.

Song link – 'My Best Friend' <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7JFjruVrrag>

Visit the website <https://www.westofsevernchurches.org.uk/children-young-people/at-home-together/> for more links to videos and craft activities that you might like to try at home.

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