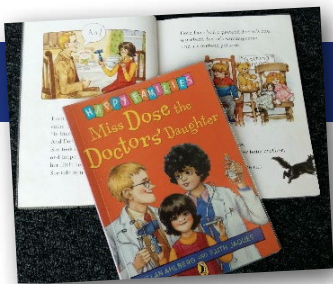


Theme: Caring for others



Miss Dora Dose loves to pretend to be a doctor and help others to feel better. Dora Dose is not just a doctor's daughter, she's a double doctor's daughter – her mum and dad are both doctors. Dora wishes she was a doctor too. But, when her parents wake up covered in spots, it looks as if her wish is coming true – a little too soon.

Biblical Reference:

Ephesians 4:32

'Be kind and compassionate to one another.'

Next month's book is:

'Norman the Slug' by Sue Hendra

Inspiration ...

If you do not have this book, you could borrow it from the library or watch a re-telling of the story on YouTube.

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Theme exploration:

The Bible tells us that Jesus was able to make people feel better. In *Matthew 9:35* "Jesus went about the towns and villages, teaching and preaching and healing every sickness and disease among the people". We may not be able to heal people like Jesus did, but we can care for others around us.

The story of the healing of the blind beggar Bartimaeus can be found in *Mark 10:46-52*. Stories of Jesus healing people can be found in many children's Bibles.

What you could do as a family this month:

- Engage in role play situations with your child developing their empathy with someone who does not feel well.
- Encourage your child to be gentle, kind and sympathetic.
- Make a get well card and give it to someone who isn't feeling well.



We believe in the power of prayer

A prayer to pray over your child:

Heavenly Father, thank You for this special child. Help them to grow up to be kind and caring towards others, just as Jesus is kind, and cares for them. Amen.

A prayer we commit to pray for you as parents:

Creator God bless these parents and give them the strength and patience to nurture their family, so that they can become a kind and caring family. Amen.