Help us find a new bishop – Speech bubble activity for Under 11s

Instructions for leaders

Working in small groups, give a set of the speech bubble statements to each group with the sentence starter ‘Our new Bishop should….’

Their task is to rank the statement cards in order of importance, putting the one they think is most important for a new Bishop at the top and the one they think is least important forming a vertical line.

Each person should be encouraged to move the statements around if they have a different view, explaining their reasons for doing so until there is overall agreement. You can also give them some blank post-its/squares of paper, to add in any other aspects which they feel should have been included (no more than 2).

Stress that there is no right answer or order. This is simply a way of discussing what is important to them.

We acknowledge that children in key stage one (4-7s) may struggle with the full ranking of these statements so please feel free to simply ask them to choose the statement they think is the most important and photograph that.

Recording and sending in feedback
To assist you in noting the feedback from this activity, you might want to take some notes about what is said.

We have provided at feedback sheet at the end of the activity.
Here are some questions to help stimulate discussion, if needed, might be:

*Which aspects did you have the most discussion over? Which was hardest to agree about, and why? What was your reason for choosing the one which came top? What was your reason for the one that was least important? Which ones did you add on your blank post-its and why?*

*Take a photo of your final list of speech bubble statements and email it to: vacancyinsee.secretary@rochester.anglican.org by Sunday 13 June, 2021*

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Our new Bishop should...

Help Christians to bring more people to believe in Jesus and to go to church.

Help Christians to live out each day what they believe about Jesus.

Help Christians to find practical ways of improving our local community.

Stand up for what is right and fair for everybody.

Protect God's creation and our natural environment.
Help us find a new bishop – Feedback sheet

Thank you for helping us to hear the voices of the children and young people in this process.

Please complete the following form and return it back to us with a photo of your completed ranking to vacancyinsee.secretary@rochester.anglican.org by Sunday 13 June, 2021.

Church/School name:

Ages of Children consulted:

Name and Contact details of facilitator in case of questions:

Summary of key discussion points (Insert 5 bullet points)

Is there anything else your children and young people would like us to know?

What else do we need to know?