

Week 6: (from Monday 22nd June)

WEEK 6 THEME: PATIENCE



Key message:

Patience is one of those qualities that we all need to develop especially when times are tough, when people and governments are frustrating. Patience to wait for the right time, patience with each other and the patience to wait on God when things seem to be taking so long to sort themselves out. The Bible is filled with stories of people like Mary, David, Moses and Noah who had to wait for the right time, for God's time. '...clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience' (Colossians 3:1)

The story of Noah (Genesis 8 verses 6-13)

"Noah waited seven more days and again sent out the dove from the ark." Genesis 8:10





Reflective starter



For Christians, patience is often about waiting, waiting for God to do things in the time that is right. It is a confidence that God is faithful and to trust in God. Sometimes it is hard and difficult to understand why God takes so long but there is an acceptance that God is in control and that sometimes even miracles take time.

Watch this short clip to see 'patience' in action.

Waiting to film Bobcats. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sxYvbtE4Ybs







- Patience with ourselves not giving up, coping with temper, recognising our strengths and weaknesses, not being too hard on ourselves because we all make mistakes.
- Patience with others recognising everyone is different, learning to make allowances for others, giving time to people, walking at another's pace and not rushing them.
- Patience with circumstances 'Rome wasn't built in a day', doing something worthwhile can take time, taking the long view, 'instant everything' isn't the answer to every problem.
- Patience with nature/the world learning to wait for things to grow (harvest);
 working for change is one step at a time (for example, climate change)

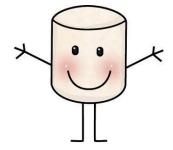
Teaching activities

Early years and KS1

Watch:

How easy do you find it to be patient?

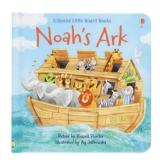
Watch https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QX_oy9614HQ



Several children wrestle with waiting to eat a marshmallow in hopes of a bigger prize! This video is a good illustration of waiting and the hope of a reward.

What would you have done?





In today's Bible story, Noah has some disappointments and finds that he has to be patient. At the beginning of the story, God had told Noah to build a great big Ark. He had to take all his family and two of every kind of animal to save them from the coming flood. Noah had carefully followed God's plan, Noah had to show patience with the animals and people he was locked in with and with the timing of God's plan.

Watch 'The Jesus Storybook Bible' version of the story ..

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yCLRcA9mlQE



TASK:

When Noah saw the rainbow in the sky at the end of the story, he must have felt as if his patience had been rewarded. The rainbow was a sign of God's promise to his people.

Draw or paint a rainbow or make a rainbow out of things you have around you.

There are some pictures here of rainbows made from-Buttons, Fruit, Flowers, or a mix of household objects!



Take a photo and send to your teacher too!









