

Home Worship

Friday 24th April

Dear Lord Jesus We light this candle to remind us that You are the light of the world.



This term our Christian Value is...



and our Heartsmart High Five is...



Our Learning Behaviours are...



Yesterday it was...



Today in Worship we are going to learn a little bit about St. George ©

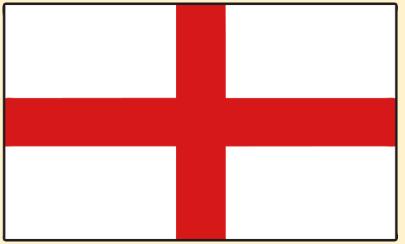
April 23rd is St. George's Day

- This day was named in 1222.
- On St. George's Day, some people wear a red rose in their button hole.
- The rose is England's national flower.





- The symbol of a red cross on a white background was St. George's sign.
- Richard The Lion Heart (a previous King of England) introduced the St. George flag. During this time, English soldiers would wear the cross on their clothing to avoid any confusion in battle.
- It is thought that the real St. George was a brave Roman Soldier who helped many Christians.



- If you are a scout, you might have heard of St. George before. He is the Patron Saint of Scouting!
- You may have even taken part in a parade on the Sunday closest to when St. George's Day falls.

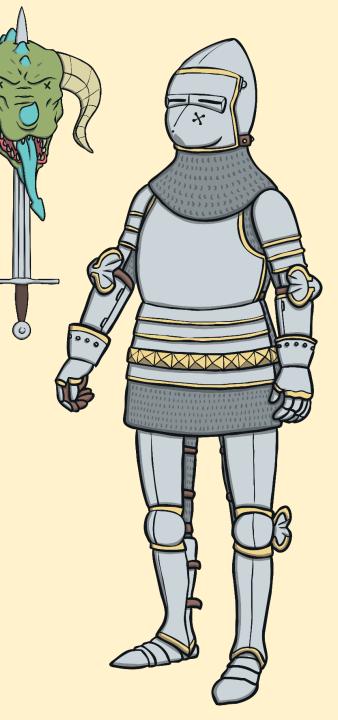


The Story of St. George Slaying the Dragon

In summary, a town was being frightened by a scary dragon. The people of the town wanted it to go away so the king offered the dragon his daughter – the princess!

George heard about this and managed to slay the dragon and save the princess! The villagers were much happier and very grateful.

There is a cartoon version of the story in the video resource section if you would like to watch it.



What can we learn from St. George?

- Everyone has things they're afraid of: our dragons!
- We come together not to fight each other, but to fight our fears. We can stand up against things we're afraid of. We need to face those fears (those dragons) and get rid of them.
- What do we need when we're afraid of a dragon? Shield or sword? Which one first? With the shield, we think of good things – the people who love us and care for us (our families).
- For Christians and other believers, we can remember that God loves us and cares for us. With our sword, we can face our dragons – do what we can and to stand up for what is right.



Let us pray...

Dear God,

Thank you for the many legends and stories about St. George.

Thank you for reminding us that he is an important person with a wonderful message for so many different people around the world.

Amen.



Be Bold, Be Strong

Be bold, be strong For the Lord your God is with you. Be bold, be strong, For the Lord your God is with you.

I am not afraid (no, no no!) I am not dismayed (not me!) Because I'm walking in faith and victory, Come on and walk in faith and victory, For the Lord your God is with you.



