

Charing Primary School's Theological Narrative

Vision

Living and learning with Faith, Friendship and Fun

Our School is an inclusive family, where each individual is respected and nurtured. Through our Christian values we develop friendship within our school community and beyond, developing compassion, confidence and resilience in all. Our curriculum fosters aspiration, creativity, curiosity and determination enabling all to flourish.

Values

Our school values are Confidence, Determination, Faith, Friendship and Respect.

Narrative

John 21 V1-14: Jesus and the Miraculous Catch of Fish

21 Afterward Jesus appeared again to his disciples, by the Sea of Galilee.^[a] It happened this way: ² Simon Peter, Thomas (also known as Didymus^[b]), Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two other disciples were together. ³ "I'm going out to fish," Simon Peter told them, and they said, "We'll go with you." So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

⁴ Early in the morning, Jesus stood on the shore, but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus.

⁵ He called out to them, "Friends, haven't you any fish?"

"No," they answered.

⁶ He said, "Throw your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some." When they did, they were unable to haul the net in because of the large number of fish.

⁷ Then the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" As soon as Simon Peter heard him say, "It is the Lord," he wrapped his outer garment around him (for he had taken it off) and jumped into the water. ⁸ The other disciples followed in the boat, towing the net full of fish, for they were not far from shore, about a hundred yards.^[c] ⁹ When they landed,

V2 – These are a group of people who worked together and became friends. These were Jesus' disciples who worked together as a team collectively, serving and following out Jesus mission – in a similar way, we have developed friendship within our school community and we reach out to others, which intern develops compassion, confidence and resilience in everyone.

V3 – The disciples worked all night, which must have been tiring, they showed determination and resilience to keep going to reach their goal. The others going out with Simon Peter, showed friendship and working together as a team to be successful.

V5 – Jesus showed respect to them and asked them a question, he was curious.

V6- The disciples willingly followed Jesus' direction and this was successful, they clearly had aspirations to succeed. In the same way, in our learning we show determination and resilience to find solutions and in the end everybody will flourish.

V7 – Simon Peter heard the Lord and jump in the water, he showed faith in the Lord.

V7 and 8 – Peter was impulsive and impetuous in his eagerness to see Jesus, whilst the rest of the disciples had to pull the net into the shore. Similarly, in our school, we are all individual and respond in different ways to different circumstances. As such, each individual is respected.

they saw a fire of burning coals there with fish on it, and some bread.

¹⁰ Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you have just caught." ¹¹ So Simon Peter climbed back into the boat and dragged the net ashore. It was full of large fish, 153, but even with so many the net was not torn. ¹² Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." None of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. ¹³ Jesus came, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. ¹⁴ This was now the third time Jesus appeared to his disciples after he was raised from the dead.

V9 – Jesus is caring for the disciples and has a prepared a fire to cook the fish for breakfast. In the same way, we care and nurture for everybody in our school.

V11 – The many different types of fish represent and symbolises our diverse and inclusive school family.

V12 – The disciples showed faith by recognising Jesus' miraculous power once again.

V12 and 13 - The disciples had fun sitting on the beach, having breakfast with Jesus.