

# Jubilee 2025



Dear Parents and Carers,

Catholic Schools have been asked to begin our Jubilee celebrations today. Unfortunately, banners, posters and prayer cards ordered from CAFOD are not yet available so our launch will not be as obvious as we may have hoped.

Below are some of the ideas we have had and hope to follow through with during the next twelve months:

- Ensure everyone knows the meaning of this special year, and how it calls us to reset, renew our faith and commit to building a fairer world where all people may flourish
- CAFOD banners on our gate and in the school playground
- Nominate and decorate a Holy Door within the school building
- Pray the children's Jubilee Prayer
- Encourage our school community to reduce, recycle, reuse and repair/share items where possible.
- Encourage our school community to walk, cycle or use public transport more
- Introduce HOPE superhero capes to the role play areas in EYFS
- Hold a 'Cake of Hope' competition
- Through reconciliation services during Lent and encouraging children to be peacemakers
- Launching our 'Strong Foundations' digital pupil passport which includes our Learning Characters, our principles of Catholic Social Teaching and our Catholic Virtues
- Sponsored walk as our pilgrimage to a special place, possibly multiple churches in Langley to promote unity
- Create a Jubilee display or gallery
- Encourage a spirit of gratitude
- Take the Jubilee Pledge and reconsider/renew our Mission Statement

Today in all classes, children watched the CAFOD launch video. We look forward to reflecting further on our unique contribution to make the world a better place. We aim to take action as a school community and respond to Pope Francis request to be Pilgrims of Hope in 2025.

God bless

Mrs Benn and Mrs O'Reilly

**The Jubilee Prayer**

Father in heaven,  
may the *faith* you have given us  
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,  
and the flame of *charity* enkindled  
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,  
reawaken in us the blessed *hope*  
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us  
into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.  
May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos  
in the sure expectation  
of a new heaven and a new earth,  
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,  
your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee  
reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*,  
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.  
May that same grace spread  
the joy and peace of our Redeemer  
throughout the earth.  
To you our God, eternally blessed,  
be glory and praise for ever.

Amen.

