



“Values are principles that guide our thinking and behaviour.”

Zechariah 14: 7 ...it will be a unique day, because there will be light

Welcome to the latest edition of the St Thomas of Canterbury Value of the Month newsletter. Last month's value was the value of teamwork, and this month's introduces the value of uniqueness. The last page of the newsletter also includes an activity to do at home with your child. ***Please feel free to send these back to school to contribute to a celebration display of our children's uniqueness ***

This month's value is:



Uniqueness

“Your beliefs become your thoughts, your thoughts become your words, your words become your actions, your actions become your habits, your habits become your values, your values become your destiny.”

Mahatma Gandhi



Under the Core Value of:

Uniqueness is the appreciation and understanding that we are all different, and all special. Indeed, we are SO special, we were individually created by God. He chose us! We have individual personalities, things which make us happy, make us sad, and gifts that we can offer to the world. There are over 7 billion people in the world, and every single one of us is different. What unites us though is God's love for us and his desire for us to make the world a better place by using our skills and talents for the service of others.

What The Children Say:

As their understanding develops, we are really keen to hear from your children at home about their interpretations and understanding of uniqueness. Please tweet the school account @StThomasCant, and/or the class Twitter accounts with any activities or discussions you have had.

How Can you Support At Home?

Encourage your child to discuss with you what they understand by the value of Uniqueness? How can they appreciate their uniqueness and that of others?

Please watch this short video with your child as it is a very child friendly way of exploring the concept of uniqueness

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LrPm7BasRBo>



A Uniqueness Activity For Home

I am special because_

A large, empty rounded rectangular box intended for a child to write their response to the prompt 'I am special because_'. The box is currently blank.

