

Whole School RE Day

December 2019



Learning Together for Life

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This term our whole school RE day focused on our school vision and how it is lived out in our own lives. It was a special day where the whole school came together to understand more about what our vision means for us collectively and as individuals.

Our day began with Collective Worship where we were reminded about our vision and the importance of Jesus' message to love one another. We also learnt a brand new song—The Stepney Greencoat vision song. Our choir helped us to learn this.

Following Collective Worship, we each took part in an activity linked to the **Learning** part of our vision. Every one of us learnt a brand new skill and through this we discussed and understood some of the values we had to model to enjoy success. We found that lots of perseverance was needed as learning something new is not always easy! The range of new skills learnt was varied and included; learning to speak Spanish, finding out how to make slime, becoming accomplished at plaiting and braiding, learning how to juggle with two balls against a wall and how to play the piano!



I didn't know how to play the piano before—now I want to learn properly.



Using two balls was so tricky at first. I kept dropping them but the more I practiced the better I got.



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Then we explored the **Together** part of our vision and took part in a range of tasks where the only way to complete them was to work together—either with a partner or with a group. Activities included; sending and receiving messages via a string telephone, directing our partner to move around an obstacle course whilst blind folded, playing board games and trying to beat the world record of building the tallest tower made from dried spaghetti. Our values of trust and friendship were really important in these tasks!

My team made the highest tower. We worked together well and all listened to each other.

We had so much fun working together!

Wearing a blindfold was a bit strange and I couldn't see where to go but my partner was so helpful and I trusted them and they trusted me

After lunch we then thought about the **Life** part of our vision, where the adults in our classes told us more about their own lives from their childhood to now. We reflected on ourselves as babies, using the photos our parents had sent in, and our lives now and then thought about our hopes, dreams and aspirations for our future.

Throughout the day we completed our Vision book to capture the highlights of the day and then took it home to share with our families and asked them to write their hopes and dreams for our futures in too.

We came together again at the end of the day for a special service where we reflected on what we had learnt and experienced throughout the day about ourselves and each other and how it links to our school vision. We also reminded ourselves of all of the everyday opportunities we have at school and at home to experience **Learning Together for Life**.

