What's happening in the news this week?





Let's have a look at this week's poster!



Shine your light

Christian Value: Love



















Stef Reid MBE, a former Paralympian medalwinner who represented Canada and Great Britain, is asking Nike and other sportswear companies to start selling individual trainers to single-leg amputees. The request comes after noticing the company using mannequins with running blades to promote its products in shops. Stef has said that by refusing to sell single shoes, Nike is not living up to its values of diversity and inclusion. In a video viewed over 3 million times, Reid said she was thrilled to be shown photos of mannequins in Nike stores with running blades wearing a single shoe.



Think together and talk





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- Make a list of words to describe light and dark. Include how each makes you feel.
- Have you ever thought something wasn't fair or you weren't included in something? How did you feel?
- Has anyone ever helped you when you were struggling and brought light back into your life?





What does the Bible have to say?





There may be times when we feel excluded or that something isn't fair. This can make us sad and lonely, and it can feel very dark. Jesus teaches us to help. We can be lights and our lights should shine on others.





You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

Matthew 5:14-16





What do others think?





As we work to create light for others, we naturally light our own way.



Mary Anne Radmacher - author and artist



Time to be quiet and to pray





Prayer

Dear God,

Thank you for the people who shine their light on us,

Help us shine our light on others' lives,

Help me trust that in times of darkness, love, hope, and faith can create light,

Amen



Continue thinking





Key Stage 1 class discussion

- Do you know anyone who might be going through a difficult time at the moment?
- Is there anything you are finding difficult?
- What can you do to shine your light on someone this week?



Key Stage 2 class discussion

- Dark can be used to describe an emotional state. Have you ever heard the metaphors 'in a dark place' or 'under a dark cloud'? What might cause someone to feel this way?
- If we find ourselves in darkness, it is important to look for the light or find ways to create the light. How might we do this?



Time to worship

Shine Jesus shine Click <u>here</u> for the hymn online







Lord, the light of your love is shining, In the midst of the darkness, shining, Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us, Set us free by the truth you now bring us, Shine on me, shine on me.





Shine, Jesus, shine, Fill this land with the Father's glory, Blaze, Spirit, blaze, Set our hearts on fire, Flow, river, flow, Flood the nations with grace and mercy, Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.





Lord, I come to your awesome presence, From the shadows into your radiance, By the blood I may enter your brightness, Search me, try me, consume all my darkness, Shine on me, shine on me.





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As we gaze on your kingly brightness,
So our faces display your likeness,
Ever changing from glory to glory,
Mirrored here may our lives tell your story,
Shine on me, shine on me.





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