## Friendship

Showing kindness and compassion to everyone.



Friendship is a core value for our school because Jesus showed love and friendship to everybody. He taught us to overcome our differences by working together. This means showing kindness and compassion to everyone.

The Bible tells us that Jesus chose his twelve special friends to support him in spreading God's message. He demonstrated his love for them by washing their dusty feet. He taught us to love each other, when he said, 'Love thy neighbour.' We learn about the power of friendship in a story where a group of friends worked together to lower a disabled man through the roof of a house so that he could be healed.

At St Martin's Church of England (Aided) Primary School we show friendship every day to everyone we know, not just our best friends. St Martin showed true friendship when he cut his cloak in half to share it with a beggar. We show kindness and compassion through our Playground Pals, Huff and Puff Club and our Buddy Bench. We welcome new people and include everyone in our learning and play.