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Key message that the children need to take away

Values:

Theme:

Togetherness

For the body is not one member but many

ICorinthians 12:12-14

## Gathering

Music on entry. Children enter quietly

Class children to bring up to the worship table and say together:

Rible – God the Father

Bible – God the Father Cross – God the Son

Candle – God the Holy Spirit

Candle is lit on the worship table
All: Come to us Father, as we gather here today;

Be with us Jesus, in our worship Stay with us Holy Spirit, now and always, Amen. Image on display as children enter:



## Engaging

What have our experiences been over the Summer holidays? (Did some children see their friends? Did some children see members of their extended family?)

How does it feel to be away from our friends and family? What helps us get through these times?

What were we looking forward to when we got back to school? What have we missed the most?

## Responding



Look at this picture. What is it? Is it complete?

There is a piece missing which makes the jigsaw incomplete.

We talk about everyone (every child, parent and member of staff) in Shillingstone Primary School being a very important member of our school. Although we were not together physically during the Summer holiday, we have all still been a very important part of Shillingstone Primary School and God is always with us. Just like the jigsaw, the school is not complete without everyone being present.

It is esepeecially important to make sure we have a feeling of togetherness as we welcome new children and staff from Okeford who are now a very important part of our Shillingtone family. What can we do to make sure all the new children and staff feel welcome?

Our school vision says 'For the body is not one member, it is many.' This is from Corinthians 12:12-14 and reminds us that every single one of us is a very important part of our school and part of God's family. We are one, we are strongest working together in unity. Can the children think of what we do that is made easier when we are together?

'Growing together. Together we learn.' The word together is very important to us and we look forward to the coming school tem when we can once again be together to learn and grow.

Children sit quietly and think of what makes them individually special and what it means to them in being back together in their class.

Prayer: The Lord's Prayer

## Follow-up Class worship



The Bible says everyone is part of the family. God put us in families to love and take care of each other. He put us in families so we could have fun and learn how to treat each other with respect and kindness. He knew we would need someone to help us sometimes. He knew family is the best place to learn about God. And He wants our families to show His love to the world. That's why

He made you part of a family at home, and part of His big family here at school.

Do you know who it is who holds all of us together? The Bible says Jesus is the One who holds families together. Jesus is the One who makes us all part of God's family too.

I'm glad I'm part of my family. I'm especially glad we're all part of God's big family because of Jesus. Aren't you?

Children draw around their hand and write down what they missed when they were not in school and what they are looking forward to now that we have come back together as a school.

Our school vision says 'For the body is not one member, it is many.' What does the school vision mean to each child? Write on their hand.

Sending	Sending out prayer at the extinguishing of the candle	
Out	Pupil: Known by Jesus and loved by Jesus, we go on our way,	
	All: Carrying his love inside	
	us through the day. Amen	
	SHILL: Pupil/Leader: For the body is not one member but many.	
	All: So today we will grow together and learn together.	
	Music is played	
Hymn	When I needed a neighbor (Come and Praise CD2 No. 23)	