



Date: Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	Value: Trust	Leader: JWS
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Key message that the children need to take away
<b>Values: Trust</b> <b>Theme: Being trustworthy. Not gossiping.</b>

Gathering	<p>Music on entry. Children enter quietly</p> <p>Class children to bring up to the worship table and say together: Bible – God the Father Cross – God the Son Candle – God the Holy Spirit</p> <p>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.</p>	<p>“No one who gossips can be trusted with a secret, but you can put confidence in someone who is trustworthy.” Proverbs 11:13</p>  <p>Image on display as children enter:</p>
Engaging	<p><b><u>PREPARATION: Two teddies or hand puppets needed.</u></b></p> <p>In the Bible there is a book of wise sayings called Proverbs. Here is one of them:</p> <p>“No one who gossips can be trusted with a secret, but you can put confidence in someone who is trustworthy.” Proverbs 11:13</p> <p>Use picture on the board and introduce characters’ names (<b>Bella and Barney</b>).</p> <p><b>Barney:</b> Hi Bella! You’re looking excited. What’s happened?</p> <p><b>Bella:</b> Barney, you’ll never guess what?!</p> <p><b>Barney:</b> What?</p> <p><b>Bella:</b> You know Mia in Year 5?</p> <p><b>Barney:</b> Yes.</p> <p><b>Bella:</b> She was really rude and now Mrs Harding has phoned her mum to take her home for the rest of the day. Oh .... (pause) .... I wasn’t supposed to tell anyone. (Pause) Oh no. I promised Mrs Harding I would keep it to myself.</p>	

	<p><b>Barney:</b> What do you mean?</p> <p><b>Bella:</b> I promised Mrs Harding I wouldn't go around spreading gossip. Oh, I feel really bad now.</p> <p><b>Barney:</b> How did you know about it in the first place?</p> <p><b>Bella:</b> I went into the corridor by the office to look for my coat and I heard Mrs Harding phoning Mia's mum. She knew I'd overheard and told me not to spread it round the school as it was none of my business. And she said, "Bella, can I trust you? " Those were her very words! And I said, "Yes, you can trust me!" But she can't, because now it will be all over the school and she'll know who told everyone, and...oh dear! (begins to sob).</p> <p><b>Barney:</b> It's alright Bella, don't cry! You've only told one person and that's me.</p> <p><b>Bella:</b> I know, but now it will get out to everybody!</p> <p><b>Barney:</b> No it won't! I won't tell anyone and you'll make sure you don't tell anyone else, OK?</p> <p><b>Bella:</b> Ok, but can I really trust you Barney, not to tell anyone?</p> <p><b>Barney:</b> I might get lots of things wrong but I do know that I can be trusted!</p> <p><b>Reflecting:</b></p> <p>Being trustworthy can be difficult. It is always tempting to pass on gossip, especially when we think others will want to hear it.</p> <p>But we need to be people that others can trust.</p> <p>How trustworthy are you?</p>
Responding	<p>We can show that we are trustworthy friends by not gossiping. I wonder how we decide what is news and what is just gossip?</p> <p>One way of deciding is to ask yourself 4 questions before you speak.</p> <p>Is it true?</p> <p>Is it kind?</p> <p>Is it helpful?</p> <p>Is it anything to do with me?</p> <p>If you're not sure of these things, then perhaps he 'news' is really gossip and you shouldn't spread it.</p> <p><b>Prayer</b></p> <p>The Lord's Prayer.</p>
Sending Out	<p>Sending out prayer at the extinguishing of the candle</p> <p>Pupil: Known by Jesus and loved by Jesus, we go on our way,</p>

	<p>All: Carrying his love inside us through the day. Amen</p> <p><b>SHILL:</b> Pupil/Leader: For the body is not one member but many. All: So today we will grow together and learn together.</p> <p>Music is played</p>
Hymn	<p>We are climbing Jesus' ladder Come and Praise No. 49</p>
Class follow-up	<p>"No one who gossips can be trusted with a secret, but you can put confidence in someone who is trustworthy." Proverbs 11:13</p>  <p>Stamp out gossip. Don't let it spread.</p> <p>Design an anti-gossip poster for your classroom.</p> <p>In the poster, children describe why it is important not to gossip?</p> <p>What effect can it have on others?</p> <p>How can you remind yourself not to gossip?</p>