



# Live Simply Award

Evidence for  
St Michael & St John's RC Primary School



## Laudato Si' Week ( two years 2022 & 2023)

\*Whole School Worship - focus on prayer, importance of learning about the Catholic faith, reflecting on important times.

\*Hold a Whole School Worship explaining Laudato Si' (2022) & Fratelli Tutti (2023). -Children to create a power point to show and share with the children. -Children to watch Laudato Si' clip from Cafod. (Slides 3-14)

\*Have a Laudato Si week in school in May (2022 & 2023)  
Children to find out about how renewable energy resources can be used effectively more world wide and how at home simple actions like turning off lights etc can help stop wasting resources. (Slides 3-14)

\*Year 5 Caritas Ambassadors to help develop 'Faith in Action' - Called to Action certificates. (Slide 15)

\*Live Simply - reducing waste in school - pre-order meals across school. – Parents order via Parent Pay and the unrecyclable plastic from the kitchen is being used to make eco-bricks for the schools garden.

## Live Simply

Criteria for live simply: To take action towards living a simpler lifestyle including slowing down and finding time to pray and reflect, refusing and reducing on what we consume, spending more time on the simpler things in life including reflective time with family and friends, time in nature.

Brief description of main action:

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Children to find out about how renewable energy resources can be used effectively more world wide and how at home simple actions like turning off lights etc can help stop wasting resources.

How will you plan for a wider community engagement?

\*Information posted on schools website.

\*Information posted on schools news letter about actions taken by Laudato Si' group within school

\*Small group of children to talk to Church congregation about actions towards Live Simply Award.

\*Information about actions discussed at Church meeting of Laudato Si' which is then taken to the Parish Forum.

\*Just Giving Pages - to raise money for CAFOD events held in school.

## FAITH | LEARN | ACT

What faith-based resources will you use?

Include resources linked to Catholic Social Teaching, liturgies, prayers and other faith based materials.

Catholic Social Teaching- Moral compass guiding us how to live our faith throughout the world.

Prayers - CAFOD Laudato Si' videos and resources to help support children's learning.

Ten:Ten weekly worship resources linked to Liturgy- RSE Life to the Full resources.

Mission Together - Liturgy resources used to support whole school worship.

What educational resources will you use?

These can include CAFOD educational resources, or other resources that provide a learning journey.

CAFOD - Laudato Si' resources

School Ethos - being respectful - taking time to say daily prayers, reducing waste, recycling etc.

Come and See/CAFOD - RE - Life of Jesus.

Ten:Ten - Daily Worship resources linked to weekly Liturgy for Children

Salford Diocese resources

# Live Simply Our Evidence

## 2022 Laudato Si' Week

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2021-2023



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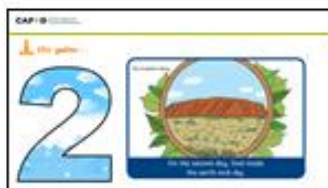
## 2022

# Live Simply Journey

## 2021-2023

04/06/2023

04/06/2023



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## 2022

# Live Simply Journey 2021-2023

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The children encouraged the children to share their ideas with lots of questions and gave them suggested ideas for 'Go Forth' activities.



<https://www.ssmj.lancs.sch.uk/laudato-si-group/>  
Access to photographs etc of the presentation etc can be accessed from our webpage.

# Live Simply Our Evidence

## 2022

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Laudato Si' Week 2022 – 22nd May – 27th May

Some Children explored different materials and discovered if they were recyclable or not and what to do with the different materials. Role Play – Recycling Centre.

Eco Warriors surveyed the school to see how we could save energy/power around school and feedback to staff. E.g. turning lights off.



Some Children created posters to encourage people to make a 'Simple Change' to help 'Our Common Home'.

Some Children found out about Pope Francis.


# Live Simply Our Evidence

## 2023 Laudato Si' Week

# Live Simply Journey

## 2021-2023

We posted messages on dojos to get Parents involved in the activities.



 **Ms. harkin** May 17  
St Michael and St Johns RC Primary School

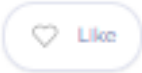


Good morning,  
Just a reminder:  
On the week of 22nd May we will be having a joint Laudato Si' and Earth Day week. The children will be completing different activities at school to support this.


To support these activities we need your help from home please. We would like to ask for you to bring into school any old wellies you have which are going to be used as planters. They can have holes in. We would like to invite the children to help plant these on Friday 26th may 3.30pm - 4.30pm. A supervising adult must accompany children and tickets for the event are free but just need to be collected from the shelf outside Reception. (Just so we know how many people to expect and how many biscuits to bring) school will provide all the resources. The wellies will be hung around school grounds on the green fences.


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Thank you for your help  
Enjoy your day.

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 6 Likes  132 views

 Like  Comment 

 **Ms. harkin** May 21  
St Michael and St Johns RC Primary School



Good afternoon,

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Thank you for your help.  
Enjoy your evening.

Translation viewed by 3 parents

# Live Simply Our Evidence

## 2023 Laudato Si' Week

# Live Simply Journey

## 2021-2023

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# Live Simply Our Evidence

## 2023 Laudato Si' Week

# Live Simply Journey

## 2021-2023

The screenshot shows a Twitter profile for SSMJClitheroe with 1,540 tweets. A tweet from May 29th describes activities for Laudato Si' and Earth Day week, including creating a prayer tree and items from old clothing. The tweet includes three images: a collection of colorful teddy bears, a garden with a prayer tree, and a table with 'Wellie Planting' materials. The tweet has 3 likes and 97 retweets. Below the tweet is a 'You might like' section with suggestions for Jody Clarke, Lancashire S..., and iEDI. At the bottom, there is a 'What's happening' section with the hashtag #RewriteTheSystem.

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SSMJClitheroe @SSMJClitheroe · 29 May  
Exciting Laudato Si' & Earth Day week in school. Creating our own prayer tree in the garden and creating 'items' from old clothing. #laudatosi #earthday @CAFODSchools @CaritasSalford @RCSalfordEd

You might like

- Jody Clarke @jsclarke28 Follow
- Lancashire S... @L... Follows you Follow
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What's happening

#RewriteTheSystem  
Take Control Back In Your Hands

SSMJClitheroe @SSMJClitheroe · 22 May

11:39 04/06/2023

Our activities over Laudato Si' Week. This was Tweeted to reach out to parents, parishioners and the local community. We made teddies, weaved material, created posters all from old articles of clothing. We also did 'Wellie Planting' to develop our gates.

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SSMJClitheroe  
1,540 Tweets

SSMJClitheroe @SSMJClitheroe · 29 May  
To end our Earth and Laudato Si' week we recycled some old wellies and planted a variety of plants to brighten up our playground. Thank you to all the children, parents and staff who helped. @EcoSchools @EarthDay

Who to follow  
Mr G and 8 others follow  
Meno Academy



# Live Simply Our Evidence

## 2023 Laudato Si' Week

Live Simply Journey  
2021-2023



# Laudato Si' & Earth Day Newsletter

22/5/23- 26/5/23

We have had a busy week celebrating all things about 'Caring For Our Common Home'. It all started with Eco Warriors and Laudato Si' Pupil Voice Groups collaborating to present an assembly to tell all the children about the exciting week ahead. They were fantastic and very confident at sharing what the week was going to be all about.

We started off watching the Laudato Si' and Fratelli Tutti animations from CAFOD and discussed them.



Laudato Si'

We then created our Eco Wishes for the future and looking at what the children hoped people may do to help protect 'Our Common Home'. We thought about what we would like to say in our prayers and created some of our own. We hung them all on our Prayer Tree in the garden.



Our activities over Laudato Si' Week. We created a newsletter at the end of the week to share with Parents and the wider community on our webpage.

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# Laudato Si' & Earth Day Newsletter

22/5/23- 26/5/23



We found out about Pope Francis and thought about his role.

We then used our old clothing brought in to create different items.



We had a 'Wellie Planting' session after school to try and create some additional wildlife areas.





# Laudato Si' & Earth Day Newsletter

22/5/23- 26/5/23



We have been working hard to 'Rewild' (<https://kids.earth.org/life-on-land/the-benefits-of-rewilding-explained-to-kids/>) parts of the school field (Around the edges). We have planted lots of flower bombs and we are hoping that next year these will yield a good strong crop. Rewilding encourages wildlife to the field.



We have been working hard to replant some of the trees collected from projects across the Ribble Valley. We have planted 50 Alder and Hazel trees at the bottom of the field. These trees are particularly good at helping with soggy ground and help provide a natural assistance.



We have been keeping our garden watered and weeded during this hot weather. We are hopeful that our crops of strawberries, raspberries, potatoes, beans, chives, rosemary, mint, onions and rhubarb will produce some good crops and some might even make it into the school kitchen.

# Live Simply Our Evidence

## 2023 Laudato Si' Week

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2021-2023

The screenshot shows a Twitter interface. At the top, the browser address bar displays 'twitter.com/SSMJClitheroe'. The main content is a tweet from the account 'SSMJClitheroe' (@SSMJClitheroe), dated 22 Feb. The tweet text reads: 'Our Pupil Groups love presenting to governors during our Curriculum Committee Meeting @tes @chrisdysonHT @lancstelegraph @lancslpds @PaulGarvey4 @OakNational @bbceducation @schoolgoverning @TeachPrimary'. Below the text are four photographs showing pupils in green uniforms presenting to a group of adults in a meeting room. The first photo shows a 'Laudato Si' LAUDATO SI' GOALS' poster. The second shows a 'Gift Socks Day' poster. The third shows a 'GIFT TEAM 2022-23' poster. The fourth shows a 'Impact so far this year!' poster. The tweet has 1 reply, 3 retweets, 7 likes, and 3,781 views. To the right of the tweet is a 'You might like' section with three suggested accounts: 'St Cuthberts...', 'Jody Clarke', and 'Collato'. Below that is a 'What's happening' section with the hashtag '#RewriteTheSystem' and the text 'Take Control Back In Your Hands'. The Windows taskbar at the bottom shows several open applications including 'EY Topic 8 Rec...', 'EYFS2-Reconc...', and 'Live Simply A...'. The system clock shows 13:28 on 04/06/2023.

Laudato Si' Pupil Group have also presented to the school Governors to tell them all about our exciting work in school and the Parish. This was also tweeted to reach out to parishioners and the local community.

# Live Simply Our Evidence

## 2023 Caritas in Action

### Caritas Award Winner



This young lady is the first to receive the Caritas Award. The children earn this award throughout the year for doing small acts of kindness in the community and thinking of others. Well done!

Mr. Cross  
St Michael and St Johns RC Primary School  
May 19

Mr. Cross, a man in a black polo shirt, is standing and presenting two Caritas Awards to two young boys in green hoodies. They are in a hallway with a framed picture of the crucifixion on the wall.

presented the Caritas Catholic Social Teaching Award this week. This award is presented to school who put Faith into Action and these two brilliant boys have.

At the weekend, these two boys took part in a football match where they won 8-0. This was a brilliant achievement, however, this is not the reason why they won this specific award. After victory, these two boys saw the opposition goalkeeper distraught and upset about the outcome of the match.

Without any adult or coach speaking to the children, without hesitation, the boys took it upon themselves to get all their team together, go, console the goalkeeper and made sure he was okay. They reassured him and showed kindness in their actions.

Their football coached has stated: "It was one of the proudest moments I have had in football watching them ensure this young man was okay."

You two have shown what SSMJ is all about and congratulations on your Caritas Award. Well done.

Mr Cross  
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22 likes 1 comment 102 views

# Live Simply Journey 2021-2023

Mr. Smith  
St Michael and St Johns RC Primary School  
Apr 28

Mr. Smith, a man in a maroon jacket, is presenting two Caritas Awards to a young boy in a green hoodie and a young girl in a blue jacket. They are in a hallway with a framed picture of the crucifixion on the wall.

Today we were delighted to give the Caritas Award for being kind and considerate and showing love to our EYFS children! Well done Alice!

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16 likes 1 comment 121 views

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Although all year 5 are Caritas Ambassadors we have started to give out a Caritas Award for children showing small acts of kindness within the community.

# Live Sustainably Our Evidence

Live Simply Journey  
2021-2023

## Live Sustainably

- \*Plant trees within the local area to help improve air quality and provide homes/food for wildlife. (slide 21 & 25)
- \*Develop the garden area to grow different fruit/vegetables/flowers for the church - maintenance of garden. (Slides 16- 25)
- \*Eco Warriors working across school to reduce carbon footprint, promoting looking after school environment. (Slides 26 & 27)
- \*Laudato Si' group working across school focus on developing school environment - garden, promoting development of the garden. (Slides 16-25)
- \*Poster competition COP 26 - Children created posters and one was highly commended and displayed at the COP 26 conference in Glasgow. Poster displayed in Glasgow.

## Live Sustainably

Criteria for live sustainably: To take action towards protecting God's creation through personal actions. This can include taking action on how much we use and throw away, supporting the work of eco clubs and other eco initiatives, taking environmentally positive action in the local community.

### Brief description of main action:

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### How will you plan for a wider community engagement?

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- Information posted on schools news letter about actions taken by Laudato Si' group within school.
- \*Information about actions discussed at Church meeting of Laudato Si' which is then taken to the Parish Forum.
- \*Planting trees with members of Laudato Si' group from SSMJ Church.

### FAITH | LEARN | ACT

#### What faith-based resources will you use?

Include resources linked to Catholic Social Teaching, liturgies, prayers and other faith based materials.

- Catholic Social Teaching - Moral compass - looking after God's creation.
- Ten:Ten Resources linked to Liturgy - RSE Life to the Full resources - looking after God's Creation
- Mission Together - resources for whole school worship.
- CAFOD - resources - Laudato Si' materials, animation clips.

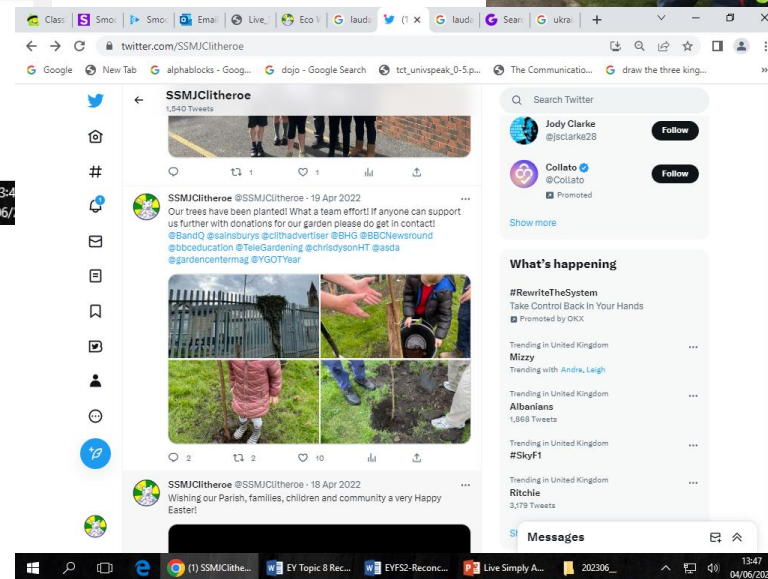
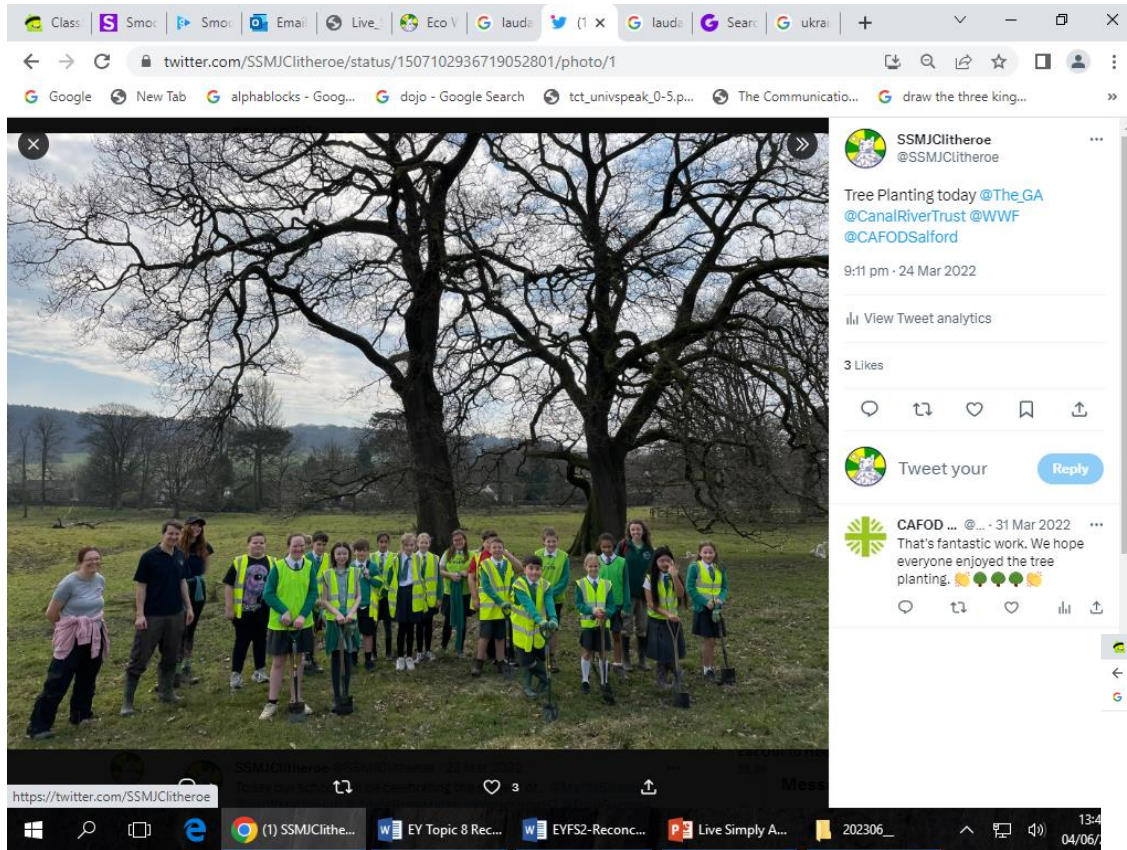
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These can include CAFOD educational resources, or other resources that provide a learning journey.

- School rules - reflecting looking after God's Creation - no picking flowers/killing bugs etc - staff model and children respond.
- Come and See/CAFOD - Our World Unit 9 - RE
- Ten:Ten - Daily Worship resources linked to weekly Liturgy for Children
- Salford diocese - Laudato Si'
- Coram - PSHE resources - looking at God's Creation and discussing events.

# Live Sustainably Our Evidence

# Live Simply Journey 2021-2023



Tree Planting in the Ribble Valley by Year 6

The children alongside members of the Laudato Si' Parish group went to Onward Homes building development and helped to plant trees.

# Live Sustainably Our Evidence

# Live Simply Journey 2021-2023



## SSMJ Garden Plan



On entry to the garden December 2021



Working closely with the Laudato Si' group at Church and the Laudato Si' group in school we have been developing the garden for children to use. The garden has been thoroughly neglected over the past three years during Covid and needs some TLC to get it back to being a useful resource for educating the children.



### Areas:

- There are six bedding boxes and one stone herb garden (in the corner)

### Things to do:

- Remove rotten/broken wood
- Remove rubbish/waste
- Weeding
- Replacing rotten wood frames
- Wood chippings/sawdust on path
- Wooden barrier placed under hedge to stop/slow down soil erosion.
- Create bug huts & plant in bedding boxes.

# Live Sustainably Our Evidence

# Live Simply Journey 2021-2023



## PRAYER GARDEN DEVELOPMENT

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Revitalisation of the garden for the following reasons.

1. Give school children access to a spiritual place with very close links to the church.
2. Be able to once again to give access to pre-school groups (eg Seedlings) for enjoyment, (and also sharing SSMJ's fabulous garden mindfulness resource to boost intake into EYFS)
3. Make the area safe for children to be able to access Science planting objectives within lesson time. Provide excellent images for social media outlets and boost awareness of wider curriculum opportunities.
4. Make the area safe once again for an after school growing club / eco club to exist.
5. Allow a rota of playtime access for classes with the benefits playing in this interesting space provides (sanctuary, mindfulness, relaxation).



Bedding Box 2



Bedding Box 1



Bedding Box 3



Bedding Box 4



Bedding Box 5



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# Live Simply Journey 2021-2023



Herb garden



Bedding box 6



Bedding Box 5



Pathway  
through



# Live Sustainably Our Evidence

## Live Simply Journey 2021-2023



### Twigloo



### On entry to the garden April 2022

#### Areas:

- There are six bedding boxes and one stone herb garden (in the corner)

#### Things to do: (RAG rated)

- Remove rotten/broken wood – raised money by a raffle from SSMJ children and area cleared into skip.
- Remove rubbish/waste – all rubbish removed into skip
- Weeding – Gardening Saturday/Thursday – all weeding complete
- Replacing rotten wood frames
- Wood chippings/sawdust on growing area – wood chippings/sawdust on tarmac area
- Wooden barrier placed under hedge to stop/slow down soil erosion.
- Create bug huts & plant in bedding boxes.

# Live Sustainably Our Evidence



Bedding boxes have been weeded and raspberries, strawberries, rhubarb, herbs are starting to grow.



Ann a member of the Laudato Si' Church group has offered some tomatoes, sunflowers pansies, herbs for the children to continue growing within the bedding boxes.

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On entry to the garden April 2022



Planted Rowan trees donated 19/4/22 – along school edge of fence in the hope it will provide extra shade for children in years to come.  
KH has ordered 15 Sapling (mixture of Hazel & Rowan) for November 2022 during Woodland Trusts second delivery phase.



## Space Usage/Costing

Forest School: Top right of tarmac area – twigloo tunnel

### Aims:

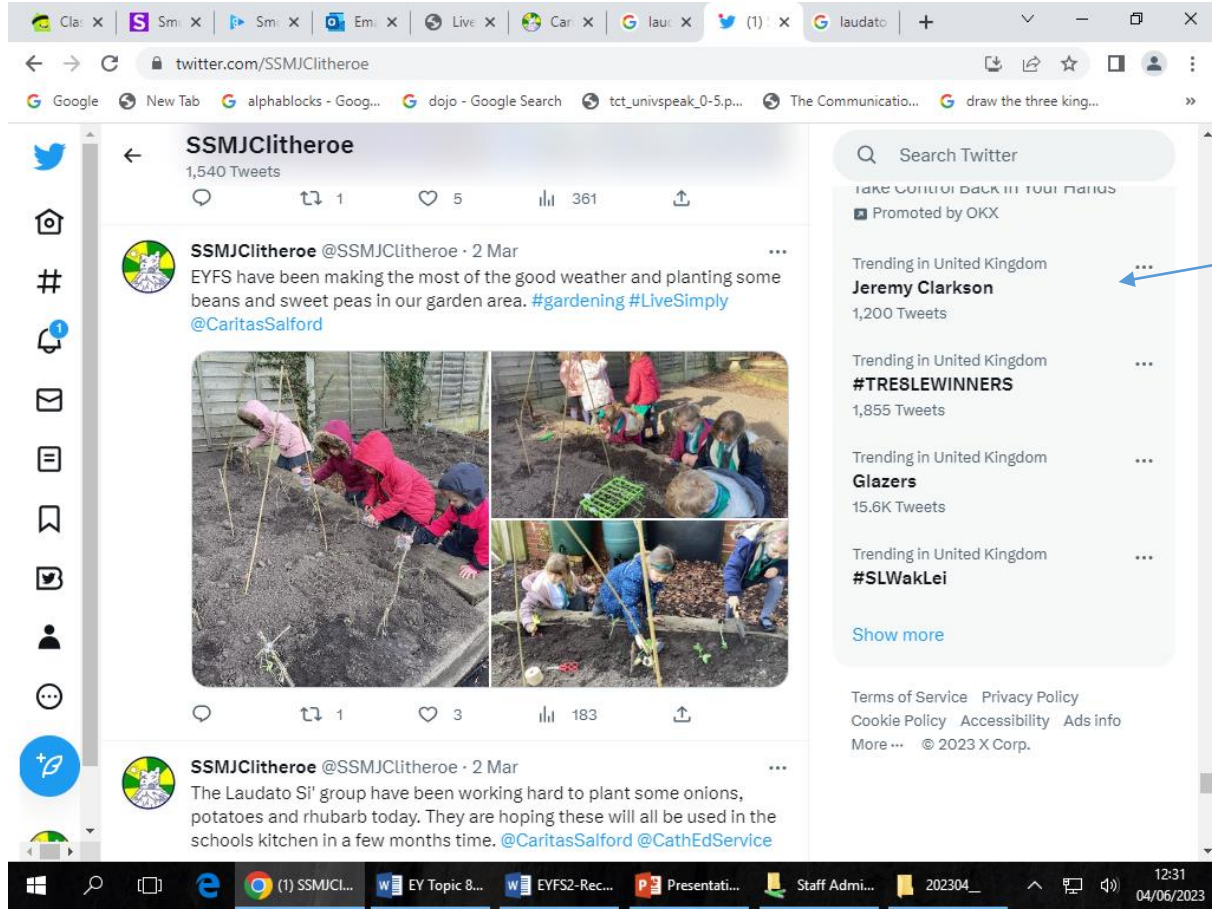
- An area where we explore the natural environment – using natural environment for learning.
- Develop children's curiosity for outdoors.
- High levels of interest lead to high levels of attention. Spending time in the woodland is exciting for a child. It tends to fascinate them which develops a strong will to participate and concentrate over long periods of time.
- Develop an understanding for 'Caring for our Common Home' – Laudato Si'.
- The increase in outdoor activity is bound to have a positive physical impact. Not only does the development of physical stamina improve but also gross and fine motor skills.
- Children develop an interest in the great outdoors and respect for the environment. Encouraging children to develop a relationship with the natural world will help in protecting the environment for generations to come.
- Activities such as sharing tools and participating in play help teach the children to work together as a group, which strengthens their bonds and social ties.
- Forest School helps children to grow in confidence as a result of the freedom, time and space they are given in their learning. This allows them to demonstrate independence at each individual child's rate.
- When children really engage with Forest Schools they will take their experiences home to share with friends and family. This will often encourage families to visit their local woodlands more frequently.
- Taking children outside of the classroom removes the pressures of academia and allows them to play to their strengths. This is beneficial to children who struggle in the classroom because there is more of an opportunity for them to learn at their own pace.
- Forest Schools are fun! It is educational whilst also allowing children to play, explore and discover. Children who participate in Forest Schools are generally observed to be happier. The fresh air, the excitement, getting mucky – it doesn't get child friendlier than that.

### Cost:

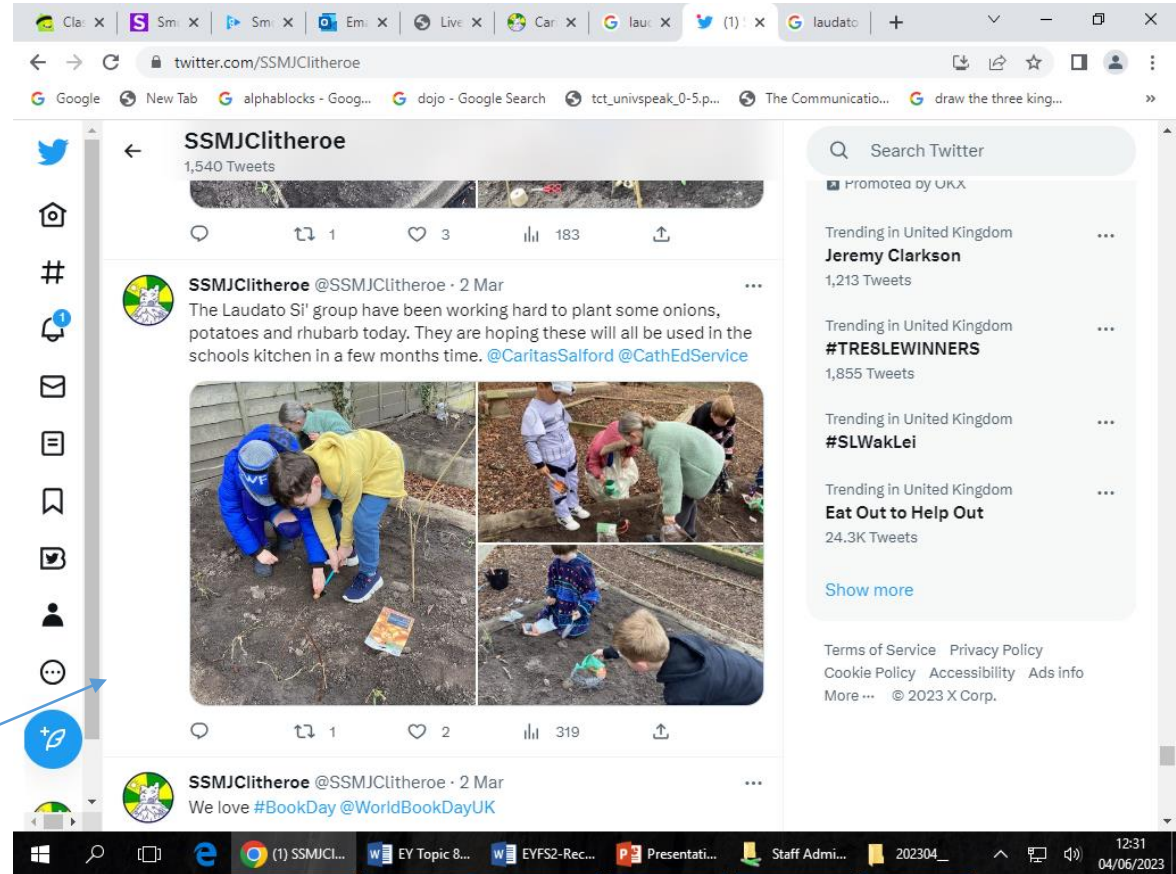
- None – staffing adapted to suit and cater to allow each class to have forest school sessions.

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# Live Simply Journey 2021-2023



The children helped to plant the bedding boxes in school.



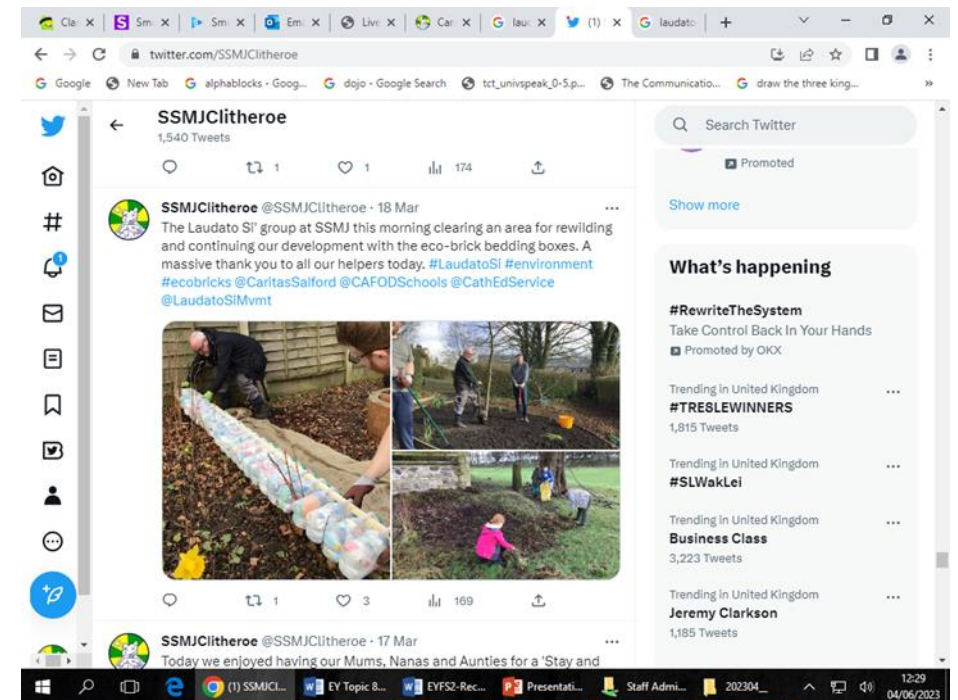
The Laudato Si' (School Pupil Voice) planned what the garden should look like and helped to plant it.

## What the garden looks like now June 2023



The bedding boxes are currently growing beans, rhubarb, potatoes, onions, chives, rosemary, strawberries and raspberries all to be used in the school kitchen and we also encourage parents to take some home. E.g. apples from the apple trees.

The activities have all been tweeted to let wider community know what we have been doing.



## What the garden looks like now June 2023



Thanks to the Church Laudato Si' helping alongside school children we have rewilded a section of the school field to encourage those natural habitats.



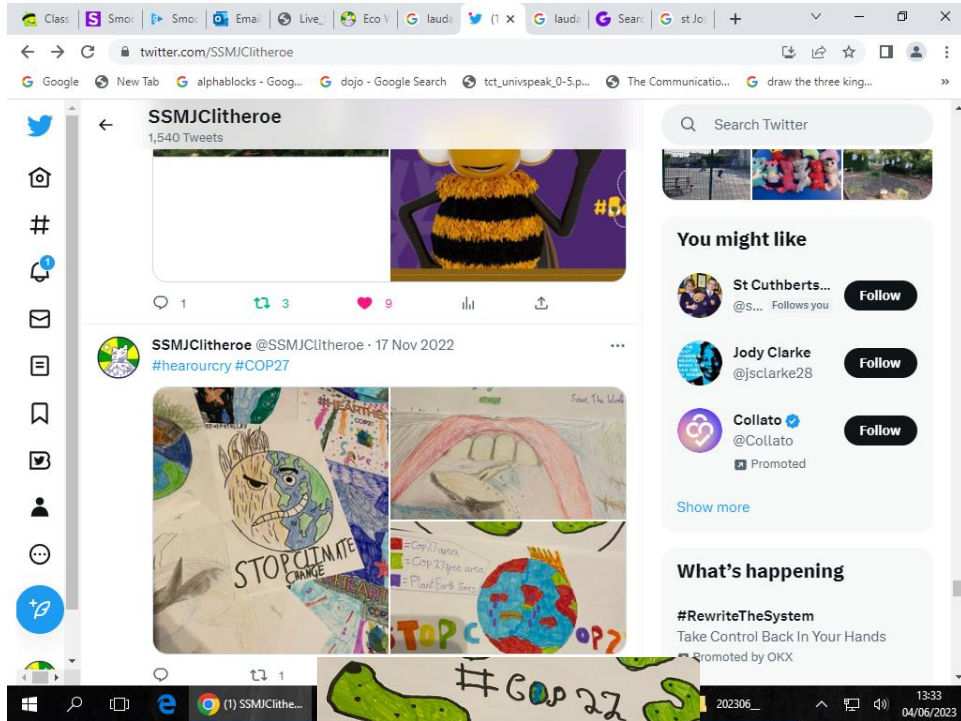
Thanks to the Church Laudato Si' helping too we have planted another 50 trees around the field edge last week.



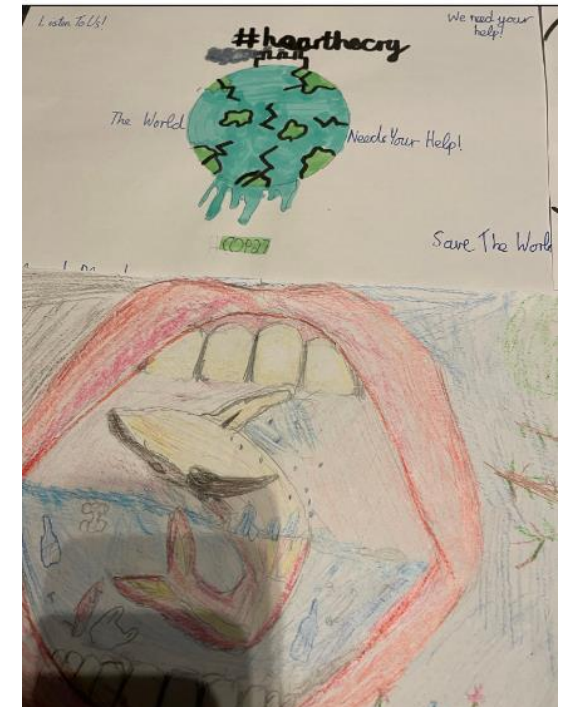
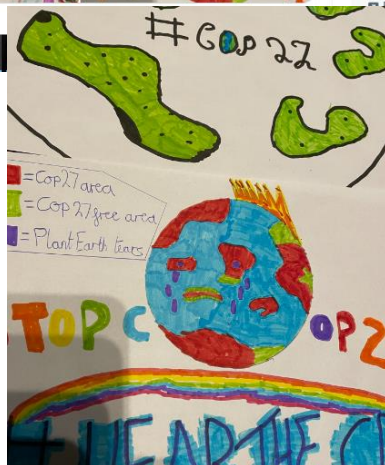
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## Creating Posters And Getting Our Message Out

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Children created COP27 Posters to encourage people to think about Climate Change. This was tweeted to reach parents, parishioners and the local community.



# Live Sustainably Our Evidence

## Eco Warriors – Pupil Voice

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2021-2023



Eco Warriors Pupil Voice all have members in each class and are encouraged to remind staff and children to be mindful of wasting power/not recycling. Each class has a recycling box for paper and it is the responsibility of Eco Warriors to turn off lights/projectors etc when not in use.

# Live Sustainably Our Evidence

## Eco Warriors – Pupil Voice

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2021-2023



Eco Warriors Pupil Voice have also been trying to help look after our 'Common Home' by encouraging children to create their own Easter Gardens – looking at how gardens help our Common Home. They have also had a competition last year and a competition this year to collect as many old batteries as possible – teaching children importance of recycling batteries.

### Easter garden competition winners



**Class competition: We are collecting batteries. Bring your old batteries in to be recycled. The class who has collected the most will win a prize. Closing date: Friday 16th June**

# Live Sustainably Our Evidence

## Live Simply Journey 2021-2023

### Competitions in School – Learning about looking after ‘Our Common Home’

Poetry  
competition  
for Gods  
Wonderful  
World

We have held several  
competitions in school over  
the two years to encourage  
children to pause and think  
about God’s Creation.

STEM Competition school entered  
thinking about how we can use  
renewable energy and take care of  
God’s Creation.



Good morning,  
What a beautiful day, it's perfect to inspire some poetry writing  
just in time to enter our poetry competition!

To support your child with some ideas, see this link for a few  
examples which may help when putting pen to paper:  
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Please encourage your child to enter the competition. We would  
like our poetry book to be bursting at the seams. Children are  
welcome to enter more than one poem. They can be written on  
paper and brought into school or shared with me via Dojo. Any  
questions, please just ask. Happy writing!  
(And if you want to enjoy some poetry, visit this website  
<https://childrens.poetryarchive.org/>)

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Photograph competition to take a  
photo of ‘Gods Wonderful World’.

# Live in Solidarity Our Evidence

Live Simply Journey  
2021-2023

## Live in Solidarity:

\*Whole School Worship CAFOD's work Around the World - finding out about how we can make a positive contribution.

(below – watching CAFOD's National Assemblies – across the school)

\*Hold Fundraising Event - scheduled for Thursday 9th June to take part in CAFOD's Summer fund raising campaign. Children to gather sponsors and then complete assault course laps.

Whole school event but funds going to be used globally. (Slide 32 & 33)

\*Support for Ukraine - prayers, worship - items collected to be sent over. Yellow, white & blue and dressed doors - prayers & thoughts for Ukraine. (slide 34)



## Live in Solidarity

Criteria for live in solidarity: To take direct action to help our global family. This includes campaign action to raise awareness or challenge structures that impact negatively on our global neighbours, fundraising to help communities in need, and other global actions that make a difference to our global family.

### Brief description of main action:

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### How will you plan for a wider community engagement?

\*Invite Parents/local community to see what the children have been working on.

\*Post on twitter/newsletters/facebook about children's fundraising. Perhaps in Parish Newsletter.

## FAITH | LEARN | ACT

### What faith-based resources will you use?

Include resources linked to Catholic Social Teaching, liturgies, prayers and other faith based materials.

God Who Speaks - Serve with Luke etc.

Ten:Ten worship resources linked to Liturgy RSE - Life to the Full resources.

Mission Together - Supporting resources for whole school worship

CAFOD - Worship Assemblies e.g. Light of the World, Fund raising events - Walk for Water, FUNraising Summer.

### What educational resources will you use?

These can include CAFOD educational resources, or other resources that provide a learning journey.

God Who Speaks resources - learning from the Bible Stories - Serve with Luke, Catholic Symbols, Children's worship e.g. Making Loving Choices

<https://education.rcdow.org.uk/re-catholic-life/year-of-the-word-2019-20/> Diocese of Westminster - PP supporting children's knowledge of the Bible.

School rules - e.g. looking after our school environment.

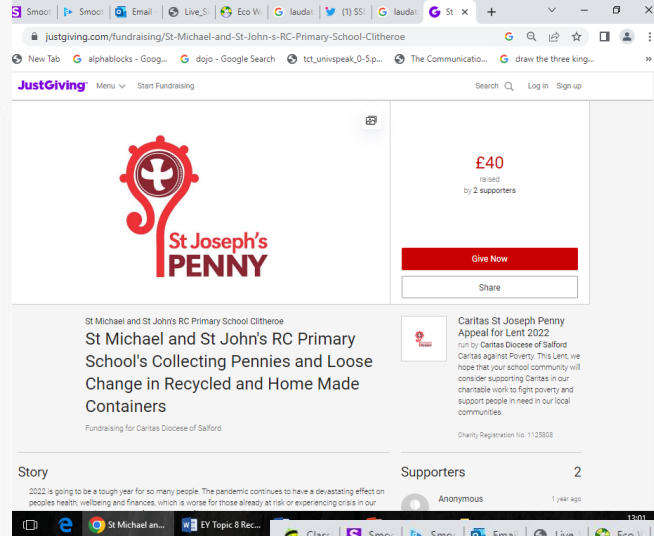
Come and See/CAFOD - RE - Learning about other faiths/beliefs.

Ten:Ten - Daily Worship resources linked to weekly Liturgy for Children

# Live in Solidarity Our Evidence

# Live Simply Journey 2021-2023

SSMJClitheroe @SSMJClitheroe · 22 Apr 2022  
We are proud of our efforts @CaritasSalford @SalfordDiocese @CAFODSalford @bbceducation @chrisdysonHT @PaulGarvey4 @teachitprimary @clithadvertiser

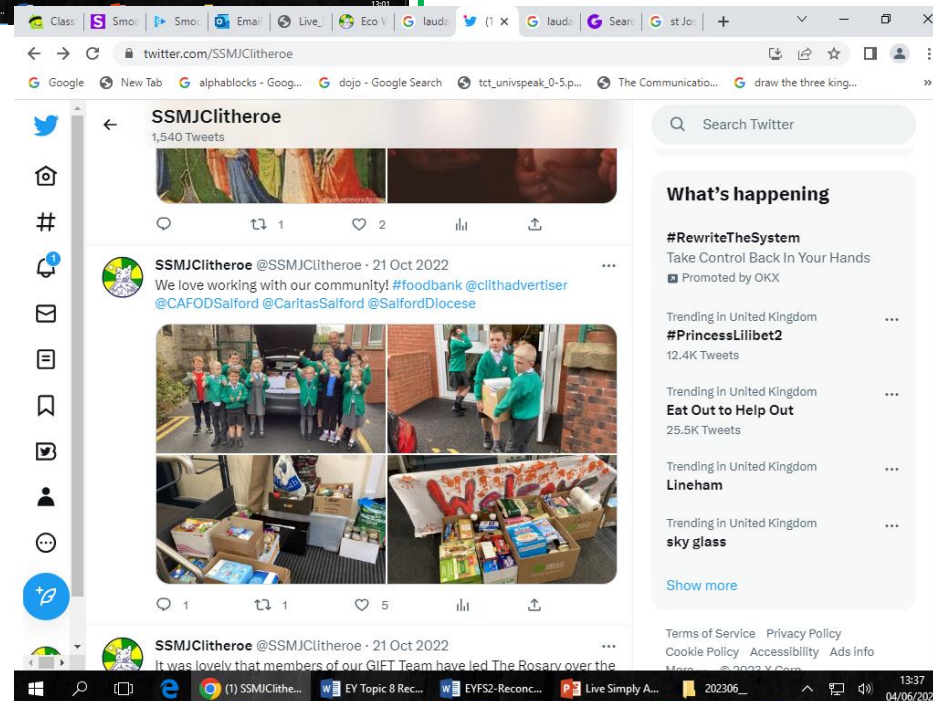


## Fundraising in School:

\*We gave people the option of Just Give page and making a donation or use your own container and collect change during Lent. GIFT Team Pupil Voice Led  
\*Mrs Mabbott (Head) and Mr Smith (Deputy & RE Lead) both did whole school worship on raising money for St Joseph's Penny appeal and the work they do.

## Fundraising in School: School Council Pupil Voice

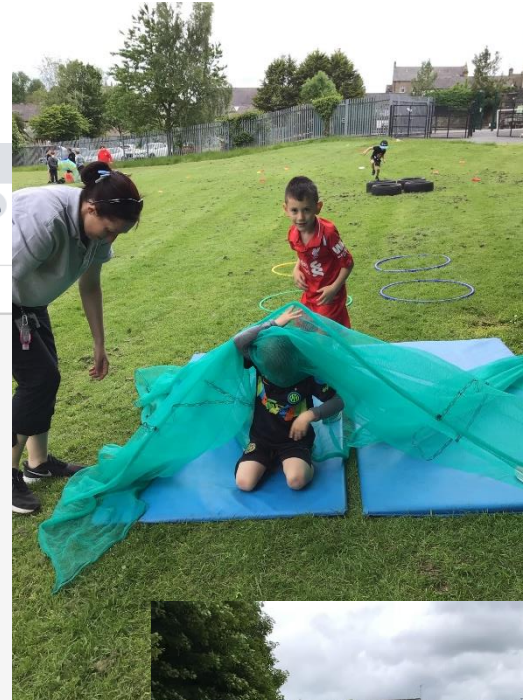
\*We asked people to make donations for the local Food Bank and the children collected a lot. The amount was tweeted to reach out to parents, parishioners and the local community.



# Live in Solidarity Our Evidence

## Live Simply Journey 2021-2023

The screenshot shows a JustGiving fundraising page for the 'St Michael and St John's RC Primary School's Assault Course Challenge'. The page indicates that £989 has been raised by 30 supporters. The event is a Summer FUNraiser run by CAFOD, aimed at raising funds for people living in poverty. The page includes a 'Give Now' button, a 'Share' button, and a 'Story' section with text about the challenge. The browser's address bar shows the URL: justgiving.com/fundraising/st-michael-and-st-john-s-rc-primary-school-clitheroe1. The Windows taskbar at the bottom shows the date as 04/06/2023 and the time as 13:03.



**Fundraising in School:**  
\*We did an assault course in 2022 to raise funds for CAFOD.

We have another Fund Raising Event planned for Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023 – to raise money for CAFOD and an Eco Charity.

# Live in Solidarity Our Evidence

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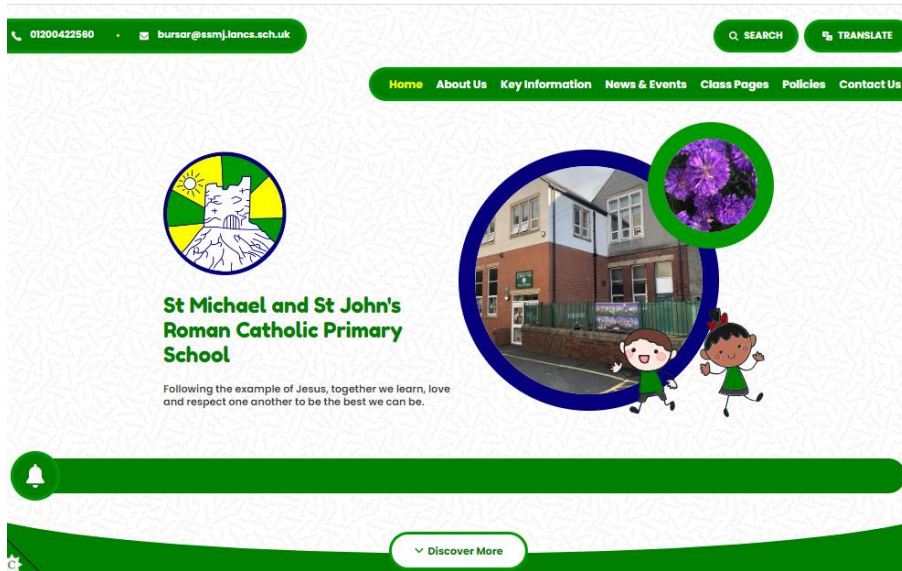


## Solidarity with Ukraine

Each class decorated their doors to show support for Ukraine. We created special prayers and a rainbow of hopes for the future as we thought about Ukraine. We collected items to be sent to Ukraine (toothbrush, toothpaste, washing items, etc). They were taken by van to the people of Ukraine.

# Our Other Evidence

# Live Simply Journey 2021-2023



<https://www.ssmj.lancs.sch.uk/>

There is a lot more evidence on our school webpage.

<https://www.ssmj.lancs.sch.uk/pupil-voice/>

This is the page about our Pupil Voice groups and what we have been up to as all the pupil voice groups have been involved.

<https://www.ssmj.lancs.sch.uk/religious-education/>

This is our curriculum RE page.

<https://www.ssmj.lancs.sch.uk/smscrhepshebritish-valuesanti-bullyingmental-health/> More information.

SSMJClitheroe for Twitter Feeds  
and to find out more of what we  
have been up to.



# Our Other Evidence

Live Simply Journey  
2021-2023

We use a variety of resources to support our Faith in Action:

**Ten:Ten**  
Resources

**Caritas**  
Diocese of Salford



**LAUDATO SI'**  
**MOVEMENT**  
Catholics for Our Common Home



To try and develop our 'Global Response' and gain a 'Global Understanding' I have just undertaken the Laudato Si' Animators Training and recently qualified. This will enhance what we are able to continue to develop and have ideas on a more global scale.

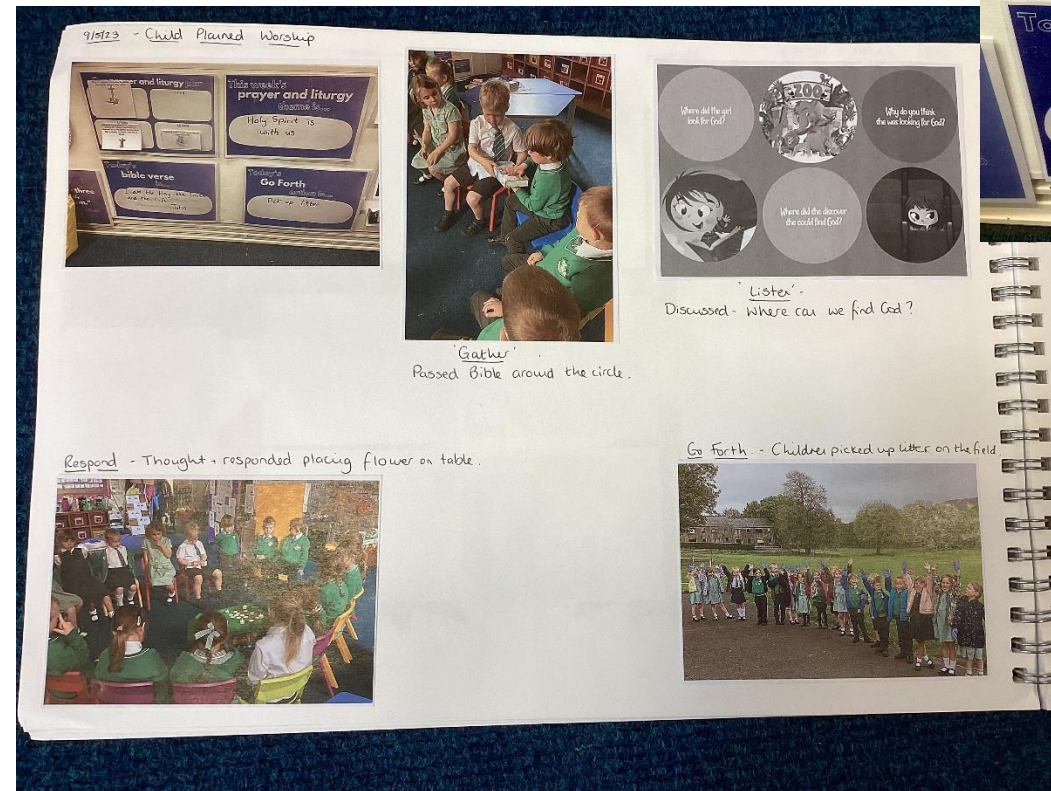
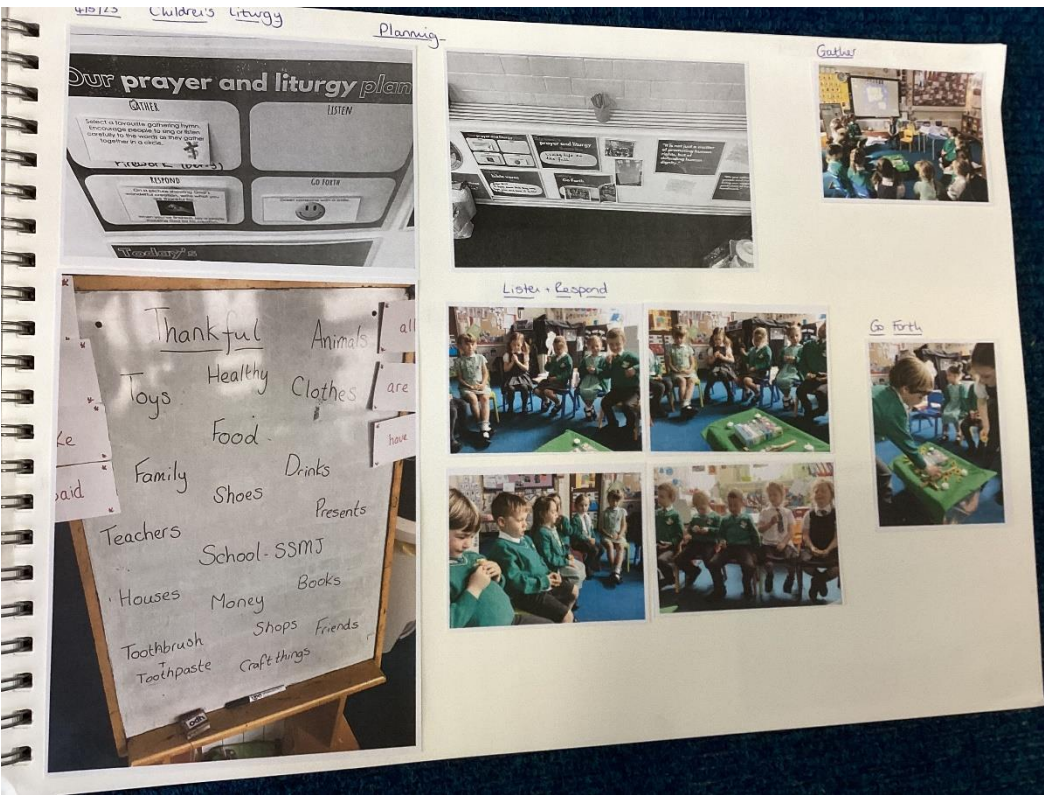
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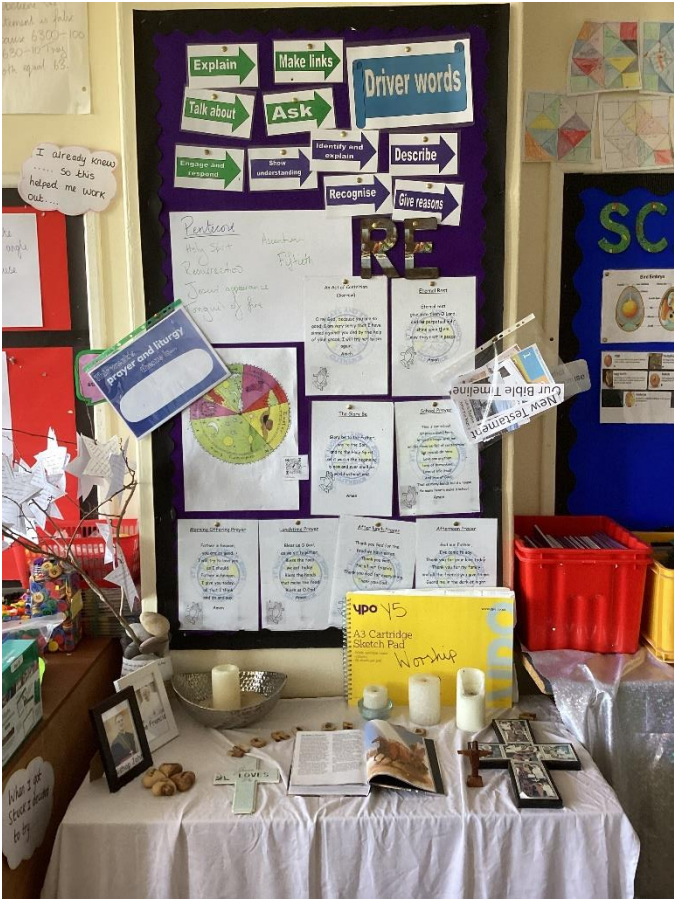
We have recently introduced 'Child Planned/Led (depending on age) Class Worship which happens weekly:



# Our Other Evidence

# Live Simply Journey 2021-2023

We have also been developing our Worship areas in the classroom:

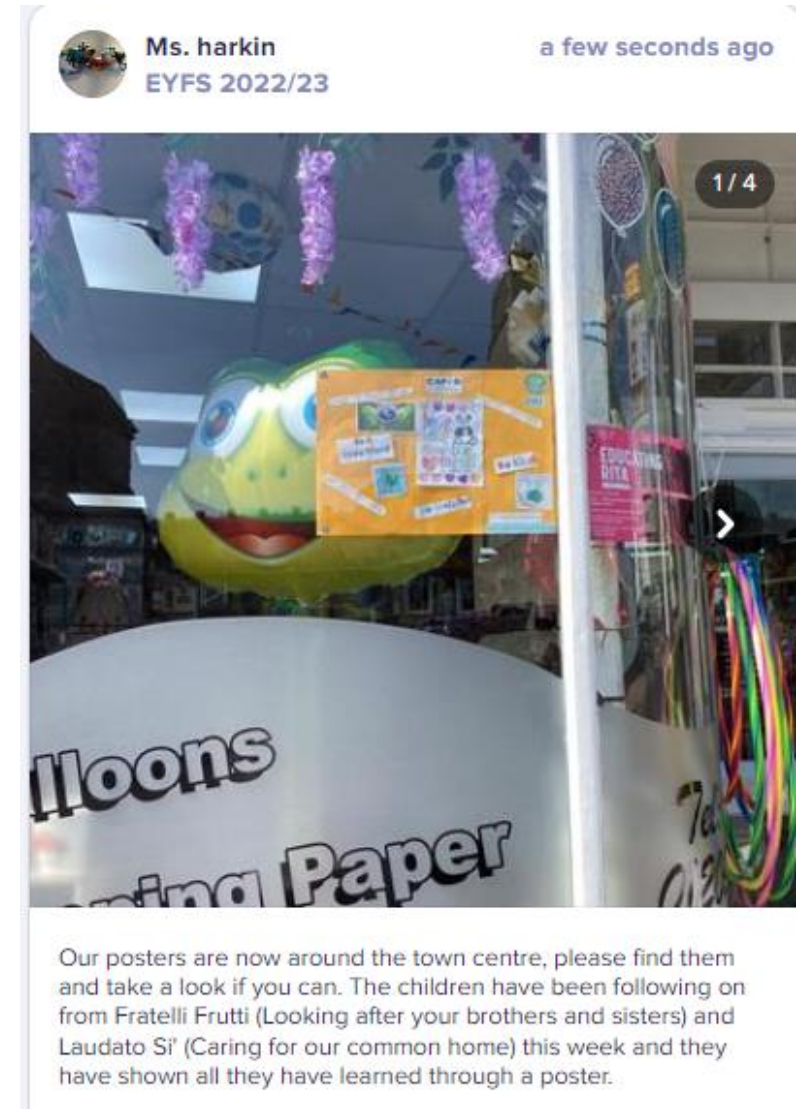
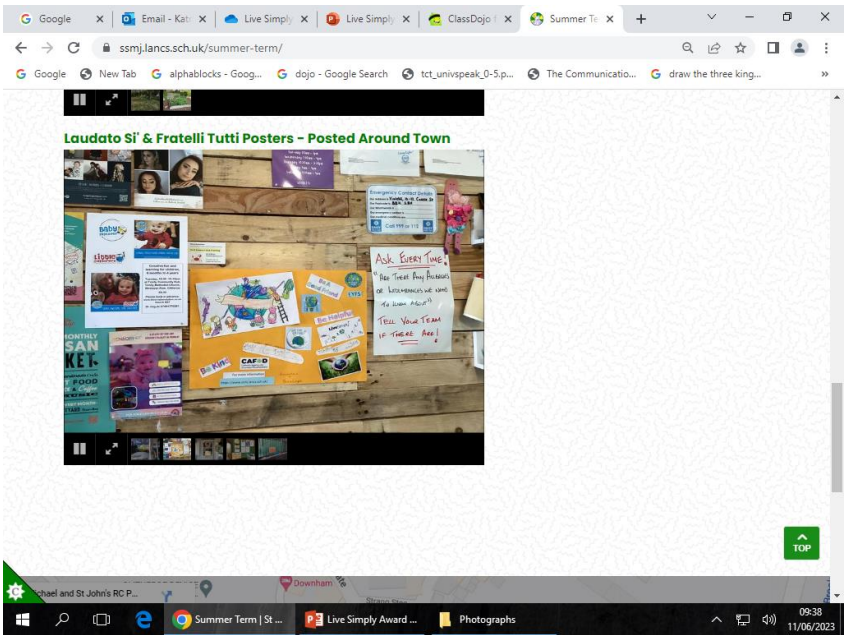


# Additional Evidence Requested

# Live Simply Journey 2021-2023

We created some posters to encourage people to 'Care For Our Common Home' (Laudato Si') or 'Take Care Of Our Brothers and Sisters' (Fratelli Tutti).

We placed them around town in different places like the Church, Sainsbury's and local shops to celebrate the children's work and posted them on Dojo's and our webpage to reach more people.



# Additional Evidence Requested

## Live Simply Journey 2021-2023

We created some Fratelli Tutti Pledges.

We placed them on our prayer tree to show our commitment to our pledges. We put them onto our webpage to encourage others to make their own pledges.



# Additional Evidence

Live Simply Journey  
2021-2023

We have a Pre-Loved Uniform Baskets for people to take them from – trying to encourage that element of recycling uniform once children have grown out of it and not buying new. These are free to Parents. We also host a Pre-Loved Shop every parents evening to try and ensure this facility is advertised as much as possible. We have uniforms, shoes and coats donated and used again.



# Additional Evidence

Our Reception Area has recently been developed to reflect our strong commitment to our faith and create an atmosphere that reflects our school well.



A display surrounding Mary to reflect our strong Catholic faith at the centre of our school.



Here is a seating space and the opportunity to donate some items to the foodbank.

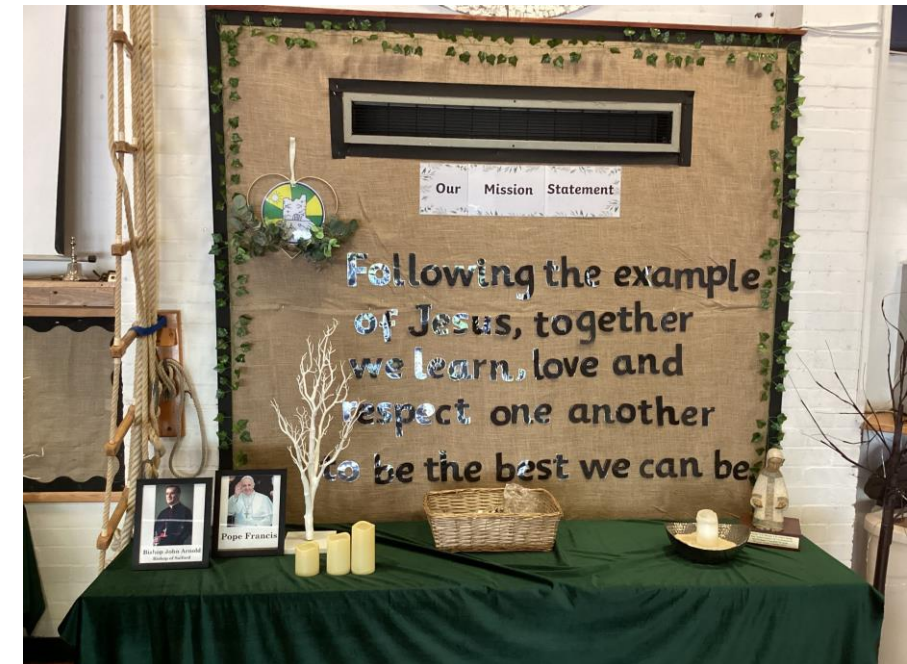
# Additional Evidence

Our school hall developed to reflect the Gospel values and our Schools Mission statement.



# Live Simply Journey 2021-2023

On the tables it shows Jesus, Pope Francis, Bishop John, St Michael and St John – key religious figures linked to our school.



# Additional Evidence

Around our school displays reflect that strong Catholic ethos. Bible and inspirational quotes surround the children's pathways.

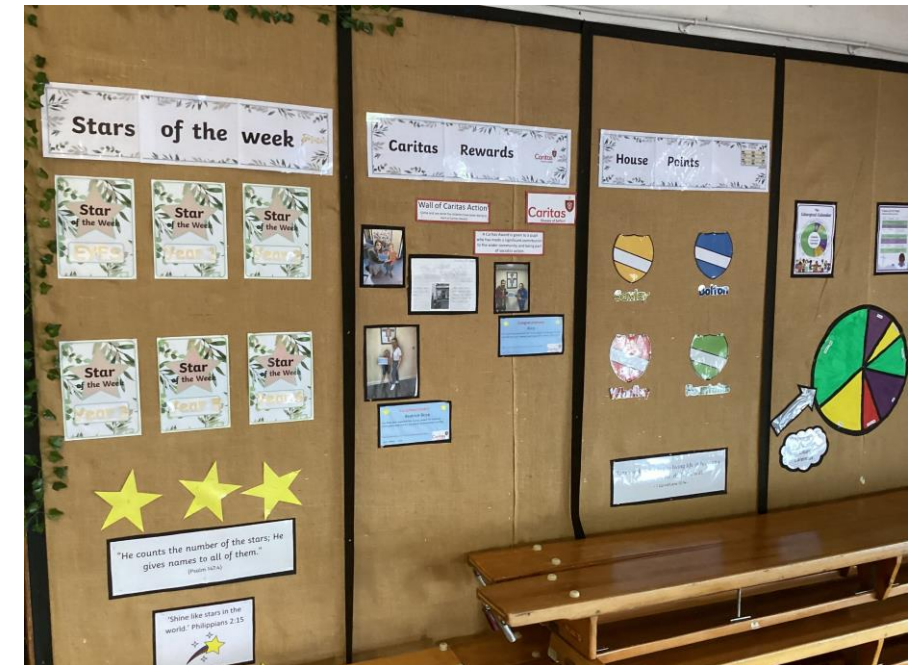
# Live Simply Journey 2021-2023

Displays:

- \*Celebrating work achieved.
- \*Caritas Award
- \*House Points – encourage that development of working as a team.
- \*Liturgical Year



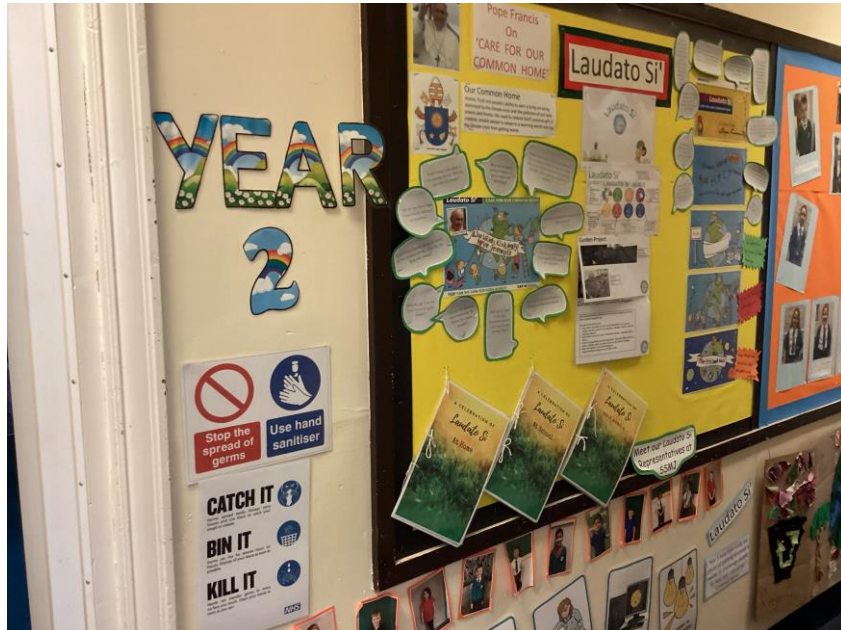
Reminders of our rules.



# Additional Evidence

We have developed displays around school to show the incredible work being achieved within the school and the local community. It helps to inform people who visit our school what is important at our school.

# Live Simply Journey 2021-2023



# Additional Evidence

## Live Simply Journey 2021-2023

Our work continues out in the garden where we have harvested our sugar snap peas and then taken them to the kitchen to be prepared for lunch.



# Additional Evidence

Live Simply Journey  
2021-2023

After attending training on Prayer Spaces we have begun to create our own prayer spaces within our classrooms.

