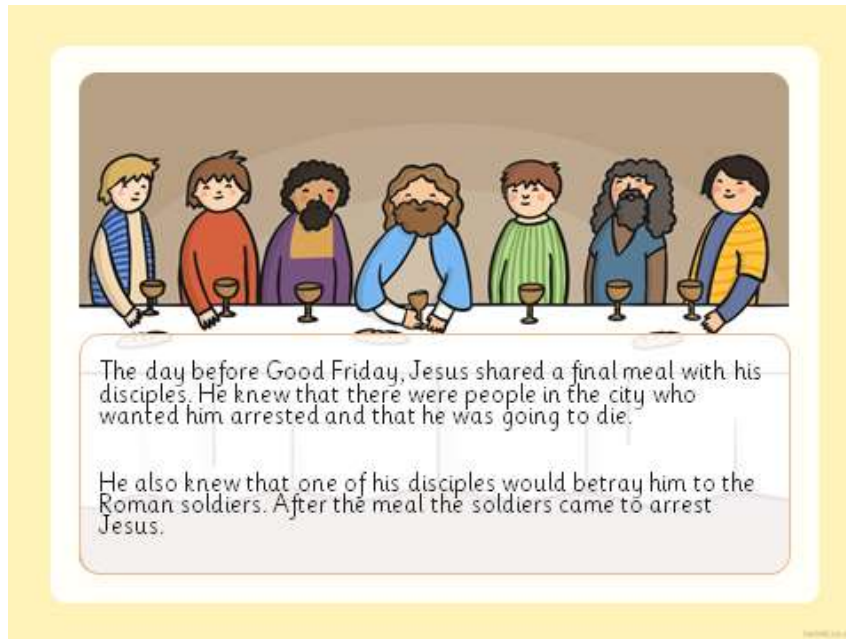


P4 Week of 08.03.21

We are continuing to follow our planned Religious and Moral Education Programme. We are now learning about the Christian Festival of Easter.

Lesson 2: The Plot against Jesus, The Last Supper, Jesus is arrested and Peter denies Jesus



Judas Iscariot

Judas was one of Jesus' disciples. He plotted with high priest and was willing to betray Jesus for money. Judas agreed to 30 pieces of silver.

At the Passover meal, Jesus mentions that He knows He is going to be betrayed. The sign of the betrayal was a kiss.

When Jesus met Judas later that evening, Judas greeted Jesus by saying, "Hail Rabbi (teacher)". Jesus responds by saying, "Friend, do what you've come for."

Jesus and his disciples had bread and wine. In churches today Christians take part in communion. Communion (or the Lord's Supper) is the breaking and eating of bread to symbolise Christ's body and drinking wine to remember the blood he shed.

Peter's denial

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Peter was one of Jesus' closest followers. After Jesus shared His last meal with His disciples, he told them they will all fall away and abandon Him. Peter said to Jesus, "Even if all the other fall away, I will not!" But Jesus knew better. He told Peter, "Today, even this very night, before the rooster crows, you yourself will disown me three times." But Peter did not believe he would ever do such a thing! He kept insisting, "Even if I have to die with You, I will not deny You!" And the others said the same thing also.

When Judas came with a group of men who wanted to kill Jesus. Judas showed them who Jesus was by giving Him a kiss. They arrested Jesus and all of the disciples fled because they were afraid! Peter decided to follow them at a distance to see where they took Jesus. Peter came to a courtyard and a servant girl of a high priest said, "You were with Jesus!" But Peter denied it, saying, I do not know or understand what you are talking about." Then he went out onto the porch. The same servant girl saw him, and began to tell others "This is one of Jesus' followers!" But again, Peter denied that he followed Jesus. After a little while, others began saying to Peter, "Surely you are one of them, one of Jesus' followers!" Peter acted angry! He yelled, "I do not know this man you are talking about!!" Immediately a rooster crowed a second time....Peter remember what Jesus said, "Before a rooster crows twice, you will deny me three times." And Peter began to weep.

Peter felt ashamed and guilty. It embarrassed him to know what an awful sin he had done. But Jesus was not angry with Peter. In fact, His love is so perfect, He chose to use Peter for great things even though Peter denied Him! Jesus forgave Peter! Peter became a great man of God who shared the Gospel with many, many people! He even wrote some of the books in the Bible!

Jesus is taken to Pilate.

The next day, Friday, Jesus was taken to the Roman Governor, Pontius Pilate. It was his job to decide what would happen to Jesus.

Pontius asked the religious leaders if he should release Jesus, but they shouted, 'No! Crucify him!'



What kind of person do you think Judas was?

Have you ever felt ashamed or guilty?
