

# **2025**

# **Start the Year**

# **Class Prayers**



We began our first week back to school by reflecting on the parable of the mustard seed. This parable is the theological underpinning of our school vision and ethos, and is also captured in our school logo.

It encouraged our thinking about 'starting small' and achieving great things in our learning and in wider life, which could include providing for others in time, just like the birds who nested in the mustard tree's branches. Years 1 to 6 wrote beautiful 'start the year' class prayers inspired by the parable.



Dear God,

Thank you God for our school and for helping us to grow and flourish like the mustard seeds. We are mustard seeds ourselves because every time we are learning we keep on growing and flourishing. Thank you for caring for us as your children and turning us into good people.

We pray that you guide us through our next year of school and help us to be kind and helpful to others as we develop our knowledge. As we grow we will become more responsible and help other people to shine their light.

We would like to be like mustard seeds by protecting our buddies. We will demonstrate the meaning of this parable by helping our buddies grow and flourish like we all did.

We want our school to be as nice as it can be when new people join us. We will treat them how we were treated we were young.

Amen

Y6







Dear God,


Please help us to flourish like a mustard seed and help us to be kind and respectful to one another.

Just like the mustard seed, help us to grow in knowledge from small beginnings.

We would like Your help so that our school continues to being a loving community where we all care for each other and God's creatures.

Amen

Y5







Dear God,

Now that we are in Year 4, help us to grow and flourish in our learning and to work hard so that we can be the best that we can be.  
Help us to encourage our friends.

Just like Jesus and the disciples, help us to spread your word by being kind, helpful and caring, not only to people but to animals, plants and the whole world.

Amen

Y4







Dear God,  
Thank you for caring for us and helping us  
grow in your loving hands. We grow like  
mustard seeds and would like to care for the  
wildlife like the mustard tree, providing  
homes for animals. We want to make our  
school a welcoming place for everyone so  
please help us to make this school year the  
best ever. Please help us to look after the  
community we live in. Help us to grow plants  
(maybe even a mustard seed), collect  
donations for the food bank and send  
something to the Good Samaritan School for  
the Deaf in Uganda. Please support us to do  
our part to help.

Amen

Y3





Dear God,  
As we start the new school year,  
let us be excited about our  
learning.

Help us to have a nice time in  
school, by being kind and caring  
to each other.


In God's loving hands, let us  
continue to grow stronger and  
wiser each day.

Please keep us safe and happy, so  
we can flourish, just like the  
mustard seed.

Amen

Y2





Dear God,

Thank you for caring for us.

Help us to care for our friends, our families, our  
God sisters and brothers, our pets and all the  
animals and plants.

Help us to grow and flourish. Help us to get  
better at drawing, colouring in the lines,  
painting, reading, diving and swimming.

Please also help us to be kind, to help others, to  
be sensible, to be good at sharing and to be  
respecting of everyone.

Amen

Y1