



## Prayer Space Themed Activities

Theme: *Belonging*

*Suggested 'Belonging' themed activities (Choose 4 of the following)*

### **1) Identity**

Look in the mirror, take your time.

What do you see? Are there things about yourself that you don't like? Is there something you're thankful about yourself?

Christians believe that God made everyone, and more importantly, that God loves everyone. No one is perfect, but each person is unique and special.

**Place your finger in the ink pad and make your finger print on the large paper to show how unique you are, just like your fingerprint. Then put your finger print on a smaller card, so that you can take it away with you to be reminded of your uniqueness. If you would like to, you can write a word to describe yourself and place it around the mirror.**

### **2) Jigsaw pieces (School Community)**

Each one of us is special. Together, we are all part of communities, whether they are friendships, in school, where we live, in teams...there are so many! Our words and actions affect other people.

Think about all the communities that you belong to: your family, the school, the city, the UK, the whole world!

**Find a blank jigsaw and think about people in your class or year group. Draw yourself and write your name on it. If you would like to, you could draw yourself using a special skill or talent that you have. Join your piece to the (name of the school) Community Jigsaw and think about how you can help or encourage others by being you and using your skills and talents.**

OR

### **2) Community Tree**

Christians believe that God made everyone to be part of God's family. Every nationality, every shape and colour, we belong together, and so we should care for one another. We are all different but we can work together as a school family. Just like a leaf can't survive on its own without the tree, we need each other to learn and grow.

**If you want to, you can write your first name and maybe draw something about yourself onto one of the hand shapes, then fix it onto the (name of the school) Community Tree.**

**Look at the other names hanging on the tree. What does it mean to you that these people are all in your family? How can you help each other?**

### **3) Local Community**

Who are our neighbours? Can we pray for people we don't know?

We see many people during our day... our families, friends, classmates, teachers, people living near us in houses or on the street, people who work in the shop nearby. Everyone in our local community has needs.

**Think of someone in your community that you'd like to pray for, perhaps they need help or encouragement. Write a prayer or thought for them on a post-it note and place it in the window outline on the card building.**

#### **4) World Community**

How can we help the world community?

Look at the world map and think about the things that are going on around our world. Maybe you've heard about some of these in the news.

Think about any family or friends you may know in another part of the world, or perhaps a place that you've been to.

**Write a prayer or thought for someone you know or about something that is happening in the world onto a post-it note and stick it onto the map, asking God to help. OR Make a person out of one pipe cleaner to represent the place or person you would like to pray for and hang this up. As you make it, say or think of a prayer or thought for them, asking God to help them.**