

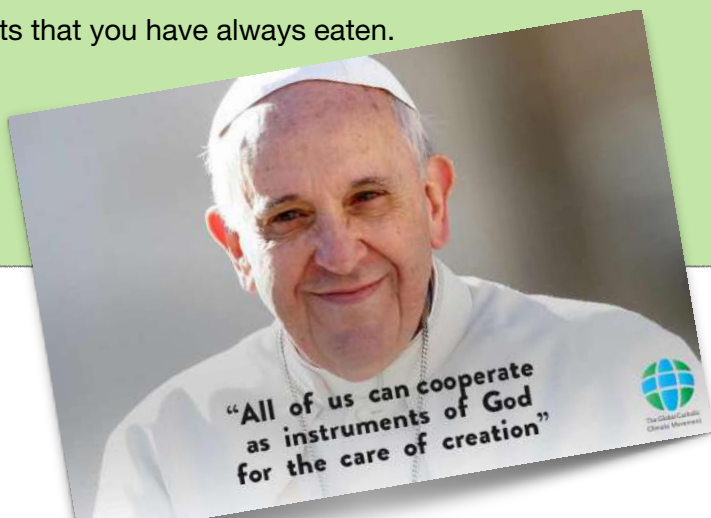
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WORD OF THE WEEK: Psalm 8 The Lord's Promise for the Earth

Noah built an altar where he could offer sacrifices to the Lord. Then he offered on the altar one of each kind of animal and bird that could be used for a sacrifice. The smell of the burning offering pleased God, and he said: Never again will I punish the earth for the sinful things its people do. All of them have evil thoughts from the time they are young, but I will never destroy everything that breathes, as I did this time.

As long as the earth remains there will be planting and harvest, cold and heat; winter and summer, day and night.

God said to Noah and his sons: I am giving you my blessing. Have a lot of children and grandchildren, so people will live everywhere on this earth. All animals, birds, reptiles, and fish will be afraid of you. I have placed them under your control, and I have given them to you for food. From now on, you may eat them, as well as the green plants that you have always eaten.



SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT...

Every child has the power to achieve great things.

But *one in six people live*

without electricity, holding them back from reaching their full potential. Without electricity, children can't study after dark, life-saving vaccines can't be kept cold, and clean water can't be pumped for families to drink.



Together we have the power to change this!

By joining **CAFOD's 'Power to be' campaign**, we can speak up for local, renewable energy – giving the world's children the power to achieve great things and lift themselves out of poverty.

Safe, reliable, affordable and renewable energy is a major factor in...



More children living to their fifth birthday



More children completing primary school



Increased literacy of 15 to 24-year-olds

SOMETHING TO TALK ABOUT...

True or false...

Over 291 million children go to primary schools that have no electricity...

TRUE

More than a billion people use health facilities that have no electricity...

TRUE

Climate change is too big a problem for me to help with...

FALSE!



SOMETHING TO DO...

Send a message to the World Bank!

The UK already spends money on energy access for the poorest communities through the World Bank - but currently less than 3% of World Bank energy spending supports the kind of energy that we know tackles poverty.

CAFOD are urging us to call on Melanie Robinson, the UK's representative at the World Bank, to shift the balance to support renewable energy which tackles poverty, so everyone can have the chance to fulfil their God-given potential.

Look out for ways in which you can get involved in school!

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK...

God of all that is good,
you make the sun rise across the earth,
you breathe wind through the fields,
you pour water from the mountains.
Move us to change our lives,
and bring the power of your love,
so that all may flourish.
Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK...?

This week Year 7 go on their day retreats to Lowe House. The Animate Team will lead them in prayer and team building activities.

On Friday we have Mass in the Chapel at lunchtime. All are welcome!

