

Values Education

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Our children have been considering Honesty and What is Truth?





School Value - Honesty

St Paul wrote to the church in Philippi and said

'And now my friends, all that is true, all that is honest, all that is just and pure, all that is loveable and attractive, whatever is excellent and admirable - fill your thoughts with these things' (Philippians 4.v8)

If we are honest people will trust us, and if they trust us with small things so they will also be able to trust us with big things

'Anyone who can be trusted in small matters can be trusted also in great, and anyone who is dishonest in small matters is dishonest also in great' (Luke 16v10)

How can you demonstrate honesty in the following situations?

- 1. The cashier only charges you for two chocolate bars when really you've bought 3?
- 2. The rule states that you must be 13 years old to play a certain computer game. Who will know that you're only 10 years old?
- 3. You think no-one will notice when you take 2 biscuits from the tin when the rule is that you only have one?
- 4. You promised your mum that you would clean your bedroom, but you watched TV instead?

Honest people:

Tell the truth despite the consequences.

Voice their opinion in a kind, thoughtful way.

'Tell on' somebody only when necessary.

Show and share their feelings.

Know classmates and teachers care and want the best for them.

Act and react without guilt.



'Honesty is always the best policy'

George Washington

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