School Chaplain's Update from Vicky Tyrrell 1/10/21



Here in school we have something called 'courageous advocacy' which is where we act upon our class values of justice, equality, and love to speak up when we see things in our society that we want to change.

Last term, our whole school took part in a collaborative artwork called "Moths To A Flame" which is currently being created and will be on display in Glasgow this November. It is a sculpture that will highlight the urgency of climate action, and it will mean our children's voices and opinions will be heard by those in power attending the important COP26 climate conference.

What is COP26?

You can find out more here:



https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/54977062

Whilst the decisions made at COP26 will have the most impact on our children's generation, we also wanted to give parents and carers, and the wider community, the chance to add their voices to ours. As Margaret Mead wrote: "Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed, citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the

only thing that ever has."

So we will be hosting our own Westleigh version of the Moths sculpture from 1st-12th November, and using it as a climate action conversation starter in the local press and the wider community. After COP26, our Moths will be part of Wigan Council's light festival, continuing to highlight climate issues and signposting people to ways they too can make their voice heard and affect the positive changes we all wish to see.

We hope you will all lend your support to the campaign in November, but in the meantime if you would like to know more, or chat about how you can support climate action in our school, please ask to speak to me or catch me in the playground most Tuesdays or Thursdays.

God Bless.





