

# 10 MUST KNOW BIBLE STORIES

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## Noah's Ark

This term we are partnering with our local schools to write and deliver quality resources to teach the story of Noah's Ark to the younger children in our schools.



The resources consist of three sessions focussing on learning the story and learning about and from the Christian faith. Each class takes part in an active storytelling session where they learn the story before exploring it together. We've made the most of the sunny weather and have been outside creating clay animals, stick people, outdoor artwork of the Ark and a rainbow.

There is an active "Can you spot?" quiz where we look for the spots with the right answers. Can you spot who made the ark? Can you spot who didn't obey God? Can you spot a promise? Can you spot who God kept safe?



We are loving our mini whiteboards for outdoor learning - this class are considering "What expectations did God have?" and did the people make a good or a bad choice. This links brilliantly into discussion they have been having in class about classroom expectations and the choices they have to make.

## Across the curriculum

A huge part of this project is about embedding the stories across the curriculum. The teachers are going for it! We have heard of boats being built. Outdoor chalk artwork. Linking it to maths and counting in twos. Sound stories. Pretending to be animals in gym. Someone even suggested survival training! We are looking forward to seeing all the photos and collating all the ideas at the end of the term!

## Prodigal Son

We are also focussing on the story of the Prodigal Son this term. This will be explored with older children in Primary 5-7. This story provides great opportunities for drama and literacy but also leads into discussions about sin, repentance, forgiveness, and restoration. At our training event the teachers were amazed at the possibilities and the depth of discussion that could be had. Hopefully our next newsletter will be able to share how it has worked in practise in the classroom.

## Feedback from teacher training sessions.

What did you find useful?

"Brainstorming of cross-curricular ideas."

"Making story more active during story telling."

"Great age aim."

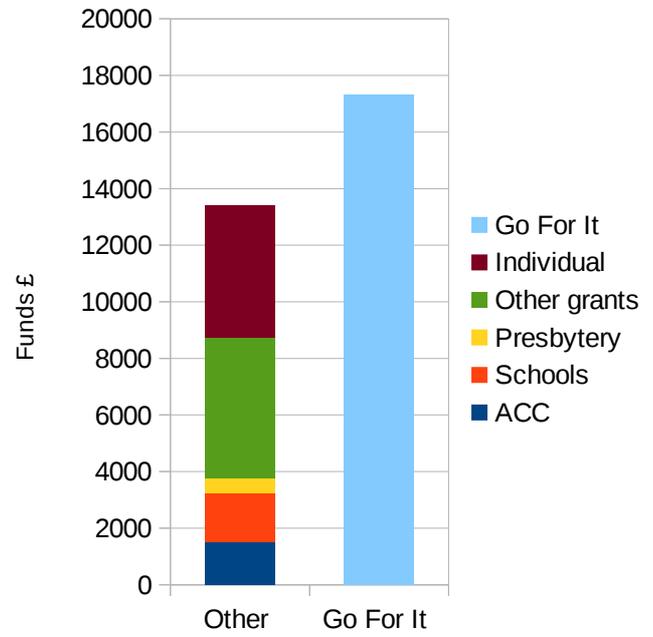
"Brilliant ideas."

"Excellent ideas, approach to RME and extremely useful to do in the class."

"Loads of ideas to be explored and group discussion highlighted multi curricular links."

## Funding

Following another £2000 grant we now need only another £4000 to have the total amount to fund the project for 3 years (£35,000). This is absolutely fantastic, we are so grateful to God for his provision. A huge thank you to those in our church family who have given a donation. If you would like to give please speak to Sue or a member of the finance team. Thank you.



## Prayer Points

Give thanks for enthusiasm of the teachers at the training events. Pray they put all their wonderful cross curricular ideas into practise.

Praise God for his financial provision. Pray we would quickly find the remainder of the funding.

Praise God for the classroom work which has already started, the great discussions amongst the kids and the positive feedback from the staff. Pray for the upcoming classroom work in all 7 local primary schools.

Pray for the training session on the Christmas story. Pray it is really well attended and creates a buzz about the project across a wider group of teachers.

Praise God for Christian teachers who are supporting the project and encouraging colleagues to get involved. Pray for opportunities for them to share the gospel with their colleagues.

Pray for wisdom as to how best to roll the project out across the city. How to train and encourage other chaplains.

Praise God for the opportunities we have to share our project on social media. Pray for time, inspiration and wisdom as we do this.

Pray for an easiness to writing up the resources, that teachers would contribute willingly.

Pray for God's protection of our project.

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