

EXCELLENCE

"Give it a go or you'll never know!"

"Excellence emerges as a result of small acts performed well, consistently and over time."

I am following Jesus' example of Excellence when I show persistence, consistency, quality. I can do this by:

- Being proud of who I am
- Setting goals and working hard to achieve them, even when it is hard
- Consistently striving to be the best I can be
- Asking for help when I am not sure
- Making good choices and encouraging others to do the same

Scripture References:

Matthew 18: 10-14

The Lost Sheep

Titus 2:7

Show yourself in all respects to be a model of good works, and in your teaching show integrity, dignity.

2 Corinthians 8:7

But as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all earnestness, and in our love for you—see that you excel in this act of grace also.

Colossians 3:23

Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men.

1 Timothy 6:11

But as for you, O man of God, flee these things. Pursue righteousness, Godliness, faith, love, steadfastness, gentleness.

"It's not that I'm so smart. It's just that I stay with problems longer."

Albert Einstein

Compassion

"Give your hands to serve and your hearts to love"

Mother Teresa

I am following Jesus' example of Compassion when I show love, when I am kind and when I care. I can do this by:

- Forgiving others and ourselves
- Helping others in need
- Learning and playing with others peacefully and co-operatively
- Including others
- Using words of encouragement and kindness

Scripture References:

Psalms 145:8-9

The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love. The Lord is good to all; he has compassion on all he has made.

1 Peter 3:8

Finally, all of you, live in harmony with one another; be sympathetic, love as brothers, be compassionate and humble.

Mark 12:29-31

Jesus said, "The most important commandments are... love God with all your heart, soul, mind and strength... and love others as much as you love yourselves.

"Love your neighbour as yourself"

Matthew 22:39

Responsibility

“Accept responsibility for your life. Know that it is you who will get you where you want to go, no-one else”

I am following Jesus’ example of responsibility when I show self-control, think before I act and do what I am supposed to do. I can do this by:

- Speaking and acting calmly and kindly
- Participating and Contributing
- Acting fairly
- Taking responsibility of my choices
- Following rules and making the right choices
- Finishing what I start
- Taking care of someone or something

Scripture References:

Genesis 2:4-20

Adam and Eve

1 Samuel 3

Samuel is given the responsibility of working in the Temple and of telling Eli what God’s message is.

Colossians 3:20

Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord.

Luke 10:1-9

Jesus gives responsibility to his followers.

Psalms 8:5-9

God gives us jobs to do.

Respect

"A little Consideration, a little thought for others, makes all the difference." (Winnie the Pooh - A.A. Milne)

I am following Jesus' example of respect when I show consideration for myself and others. I can do this by:

- Treating others as I want to be treated
- Acting politely and showing tika (justice), pono (integrity), and aroha (love)
- Be tolerant of differences
- Looking after God's creation

Scripture References:

Luke 10:25-37

The Good Samaritan

Exodus 20:3-17

The Ten Commandments: these include respect for God, for our parents and for each other.

"Do to others as you would have them do to you" (Luke 6:31)