

Worship with Us

Week 16.6.25-11.7.25	Core Value Focus Forgiveness and reconciliation
Scripture Link “Bear with each other and forgive one another, if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you” Colossians 3:13	Message from the Principal Here at Queen Elizabeth’s we understand that we are not perfect, that we often make mistakes, saying or doing things that we come to regret. But we also understand that the mark of a good person is someone who learns from those mistakes, seeking to reconcile with people with whom we have perhaps lost relationships. We ask our academy community to practice forgiveness, even in the most difficult of circumstances, and come together as a family to move forward positively.
Message from the Chaplain I am sure we can all remember a time when we have felt hurt by someone else or caused someone else to feel hurt. It is something we all experience as we journey through life. This core value is such an important one for us here at QEA because we know we can make mistakes, so it is how we address them that is important. Here at QEA we continue to teach the students the importance of saying sorry when we have made a mistake and how vital it is that we learn from it. It is equally important to offer forgiveness as well as to receive it, although this can sometimes be hard. By forgiving someone you are freeing yourself up from the pain you have felt. Allowing you to let go and move on. Allowing it to no longer to affect you or hold you back. Jesus forgave many people in the Bible because he recognised its importance and died on the cross so all our wrong doings could be forgiven when we come and say sorry and ask to start again.	Discussion points <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Have you ever been hurt by someone?• Have you been able to forgive them?• Have you ever hurt someone?• Have you been forgiven?• How does it feel to be forgiven/to forgive someone?

A Prayer for Forgiveness and reconciliation

God, thank you that you accept us and love us

Help us to accept and love and forgive one another

Help us to look to the example of Jesus who offers love and forgiveness to all.

May our friendships be built up and strengthened

Help us to be a learning, loving and forgiving community.

Amen