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**Friendship**

## CHRISTIAN VALUES INFORMATION



“Walking with a friend in the dark is better than walking alone in the light”. Helen Keller

“A good friend is worth their weight in gold”. Anon

### What makes a good friend ?

- Someone who will support you no matter what
- Someone you can trust and who won't judge you
- Someone who won't put you down or deliberately hurt your feelings
- Someone who is kind and has respect and loyalty for you
- Someone whose company you enjoy
- Someone who is trustworthy and willing to tell you the truth, even when it's hard....
- Someone who can laugh when you do
- Someone who makes you smile
- Someone who is there to listen

### Talk about Friendship together ....

- What do friends mean to you?
- What makes a good friend?
- Is it easy for you to make friends?
- How do we choose our friends?
- What would life be like without friends?
- Are we a good friend to others?

**FASCINATING FACTS ....** Friendship bands ..... are usually handmade and given to a special friend. According to American tradition you must wear the bracelet until the cords break and it falls off naturally. In this way you honour the love and hard work your friend has put in to making it.

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## Read together... Through the roof

Jesus reached a town called Capernaum and made his way to a house near the town gate. The crowd had gathered quickly and now even more people were pushing and squeezing into the small house, wanting to see him, hear him, and touch him.

The excitement was infectious and four **friends** who lived in a street nearby soon heard the news. They met together and decided that they absolutely *had* to take their **friend** Joshua to Jesus. Joshua was paralysed and couldn't walk. They'd heard that Jesus performed miracles and could heal the sick. This was a chance they couldn't miss.

Wasting no time they carried their **friend** on his bed mat to the house, but jostling crowds blocked the doorway. They couldn't give up now. Their **friend** *must* meet Jesus. There was only one way. They carried him onto the flat roof of the house and carefully removed part of the roof to make a large hole.

Knotting ropes to the corners of the bed mat they gently lowered Joshua down right in front of Jesus. Imagine the surprise of all the people looking on. But Jesus smiled kindly at Joshua. 'Take up our bed, and walk' he said. Slowly falteringly and hardly daring to believe it was happening. Joshua stood and took a step forward. He could walk. He could actually walk! Thanks to Jesus and his **friends**, Joshua's life was changed forever!

Child' Name	
Class Teacher	
<b>Brief description of how someone in your family has shown Friendship (please include details of who was involved):</b>	