This term we are focusing on the Christian value of ‘LOVE’

***“I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power…to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ…” (Ephesians 3:17-18). At Wimborne St Giles, we strive to demonstrate God’s love in the way that we care for and serve one another and in the way that we practice forgiveness and reconciliation. “This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.” (John 15:12)***

**Outdoor Learning:** We willcontinue to use outdoor learning in order to enrich the curriculum and to give children practical problem-solving opportunities.   
  
**P4C:** We will think deeply about topics, developing our critical thinking skills. We will begin to generate our own questions to discuss collaboratively and constructively, building on the ideas and contributions of others.   
 **Community:** We will continue to work together with ‘In Jolly Good Company’, The Trussell Trust and The Christmas Box Appeal. We will think about the ways we can show love within our community and how we can serve others.

**Maths:** We will use Maths No Problem resources in order to develop our depth of mathematical understanding. We will develop our knowledge of place value and begin to carry out calculations using addition and subtraction. We will learn how to use models to help us develop efficient calculation methods and strategies.

**English:** We will continue to use the Talk For Writing Approach to fiction and non-fiction writing. We will explore the genres of story- telling and instruction writing. In our fiction writing, we will be exploring books by the same author and start to write our own stories. We will continue to follow the Read Write Inc. scheme to develop our basic reading, writing and phonics skills. This will include rereading stories to develop our understanding and fluency and applying decoding skills to common words to increase our speed of reading common words quickly.

**Science:** As scientists, we will identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants and trees. We will find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy. We work scientifically, performing tests, asking questions and gathering and recording data to help answer our questions.

**RE:** We will explore the beauty of Creation and think about who made the world? We will then think about Incarnation and discuss why Christmas matters to Christians. We will explore ways in which Christians use the story of the nativity to guide their beliefs and actions.

**Heart Smart (Relationships and Health Education :** This half term we are focusing on ‘Getting Heartsmart’. We will meet Boris the Robot and learn what it is to be HeartSmart and how we can Power ON to love ourselves and others well. The life of our heart affects the whole of our life. What we put into our hearts will affect what we put our hearts into.

**Geography:** We will study the seasonal and daily weather patterns in the UK and we will look at the location of hot and cold areas of the world.

**Art and Design:** We will create our own colour wheels, mixing primary colours to make secondary colours. We will study the work of Vincent Van Gogh, exploring his use of colour and texture to create our own sunflower paintings. We will sketch observational drawings, using lines of different sizes and thicknesses and showing pattern and texture by using dots and lines.

**PE:** We will focus on athletics, developing our running and ball skills. We will develop our practical skills to participate, compete and lead a healthy lifestyle. **Music:** As musicians, we will explore the musical pulse. Using our bodies and instruments, we will move and play to the pulse. We will imitate changes in pitch and create a mixture of sounds.