



Barrow Hills

SCHOOL

Mr Crisell's Assembly

Monday 15th June

'Friends'

It's a joy to have friends!



Today's assembly is all about friends. These are ways of explaining what a good friend is...

'Friends are those rare people who ask how we are and then wait to hear the answer'.

'A good friend knows your weaknesses but shows your strengths'.

'True friends see your tears before they fall'.

'True friends are always together in spirit'.

'A friend is one of the nicest things you can have and one of the best things you can be'.

I'm going to read you a story...

It might be familiar with some of you!

Click here:

<https://vimeo.com/428536327/46712243b8>



Can you think of the ways in which the disciples helped Jesus?

They eventually became Jesus's closest friends!

How about...

- Peter allows Jesus to use his boat.
- Jesus encourages and helps the fishermen land a large catch.
- James and John respond to Peter's request for help by pulling in the net and helping one another safely back to shore.
- Jesus asks the fishermen to help and follow him and spread the net of friendship.
- The fishermen agree to join his team.

The disciples were a team of friends.

It might surprise you, but Jesus didn't command his disciples to do that many things. His vision for loving God and others wasn't complicated.

But the things he did command them to do are profound and life-changing when put into practice.

As well as giving advice, he also listened to his disciples and took their advice, just like good friends do.

Sometimes children say it best..



[Little Voices: What Makes a Good Friend?](#)

We can't be friends with everyone but we can be polite, respectful and kind to each other.

Prayer

Dear God

Thank you for our friends.

Thank you that we have people in our lives who we can trust, play with and share stories and laughter.

May you look after us all and guide us to be the best friends we can be.

Amen.

Monday's Hymn.. 'Father I place into Your hands'

[Father I place into Your hands.](#)

