

Joy

Love

Peace

Patience

Gentleness

Kindness

Faithfulness

Goodness

Self-control

crucial

Changing...but staying the same

The word 'crucial' comes from the word for cross. Sharing the message of the cross in an appropriate way in schools has always been at the heart of what we do.

Over the years our work has developed to include supporting children and young people with a range of difficulties, through Boys Noise, b:You and our Unlimited mentoring work, as well as teaching values lessons and supporting children in the move from Primary to Secondary school through Taking Off. We believe that these programmes reflect the fullness of life that Jesus wants to bring.

At the same time, the need to share explicitly about Jesus and all he can offer to children and young people remains crucial.

We are able to do this through REfresh, (Christian Religious Education lessons), Seasonal Productions (Christmas and Easter Plays), Christian Unions and at Lark and Spark in the Park, outside of the school setting.

If we want these projects to continue they need funding.



We work hard to bring high calibre Christian Religious Education that helps children respect others, understand Christianity more and think through what they believe. Feedback from teachers and children tells us that our lessons are not only enjoyed but are considered to be high quality learning experiences.



Here are some of the children's comments:

'I loved every lesson because they were so much fun, my favourite was going to the church because I've never been to one before.'

'I love learning about questions that are big because there's so many buzzing in my head.'

'I like CRiBS because I like learning about Jesus.'

'I'm not a Christian, I'm an atheist. I don't believe in God, but I had fun in your lessons'

'It has helped me to reflect on my life and choices.'

'Thank you, you have changed my life, I love CRiBS.'



Funding - success & challenges

It is great that we have received some funding for Boys Noise, b:You and Secondary Mentoring as well as for our two new vehicles.

We are pleased and thankful for these successes.

However, it is much harder to gain funding for our core work from those who do not share our faith.

Some funders have exclusions and often won't fund work that allows people to discuss faith. For this reason we need churches and the family of believers to rally around projects like REfresh and our seasonal plays.

Your donations are crucial in sharing the message of the cross. Can you please help us to continue to do that?



crucial adjective cru-cial | krü-shel - **Important, significant**
early 18th century (in the sense 'cross-shaped'); from French, from Latin crux, cruc- 'cross'

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