Easter Barefoot Walk

On Friday 24th March 2023, the whole school took part in an Easter Barefoot Walk. The walk was the idea of the Spiritual Council, Mrs Jackson and Mrs Owen. The walk, without shoes, took us all on a journey through the Bible from Jesus' time in the Wilderness to Jesus appearing to his disciples after his resurrection. And all with nothing on our feet!

The Spiritual Council used various translations of the Bible and other versions of the stories of Easter, to write their own scripts for each station. They then decided on the experience that should represent each part of the story.

At St Michael's we think Spirituality is not something we can see; it is something we feel inside ourselves. It is about awe and wonder, asking questions, inspiration and being aware of something 'bigger' outside of ourselves. The walk gave us opportunity to explore our spirituality.

Matthew 28 verses 5 – 7

⁵ The angel spoke to the women. "You must not be afraid," he said. "I know you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. ⁶He is not here; he has been raised, just as he said. Come here and see the place where he was lying. Go quickly now, and tell his disciples, He has been raised from death, and now he is going to Galilee ahead of you; there you will see him!' Remember what I have told you."

⁸So they left the tomb in a hurry, afraid and yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples.





Here are some of our reflections:

'I didn't like it when Jesus got crucified.'

'I felt relaxed because I could take my shoes and socks off and it felt like I was there. I also liked when the Last Supper, Jesus washed his disciples feet and we dunked our feet in water.'

'Connected!'

When the resurrection was read, the sun came out. But when the crucifixion was read the Earth went dark—just like the story.'

'It made me feel closer to God but also different going in Jesus' shoes. It made me understand his sacrifices for us like the cross—he died for our sins so that we can ask forgiveness for our sins.'

'The walked helped me experience things in a new way. The best part was the sand and bread. The worst was the stones because it hurt.'

Jesus turning over the tables in the Temple



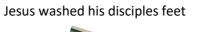
'God was with us through the whole way through.'

'I liked the walk because it was peaceful and it was calming.'



Jesus prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane









The tomb was empty, for Jesus had risen from the dead



Good Friday





