

This year our school theme is 'Mission Possible: Be God's Agent of Change'.

We want to encourage our students to continue being world changers by embracing the Biblical throughlines and practicing acts of service.

Why do we need to be Idolatry-Discerners?

Tim Keller, in the article '<u>How to Find Your Rival Gods</u>' states, "It is impossible to understand your heart or your culture if you do not discern the counterfeit gods that influence them." Keller goes onto quote Romans 1:21&25, "For although they knew God, they neither glorified him as God nor gave thanks to him...They exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and worshiped and served created things rather than the Creator." Our Heavenly Father has created many amazing and beautiful things. He has also equipped and gifted His creation - us - with many wonderful skills and important tasks. We need to ensure that we do not become preoccupied with these gifts and callings since above all else God desires for us to have a personal relationship with Him. Just as it was when Jesus went to the home of Mary and Martha, we need to make sure that we are not becoming so preoccupied with the creation as Martha did and miss out on the importance of a relationship with the Creator, as modelled by Mary.

Looking Back - April

Your family can continue to be **Earth-Keepers**:

In April, the Grade 1C class had a special opportunity to learn just what hawks need to survive and stay healthy when a real hawk came to visit their classroom. What a cool way to learn how to be EARTH-KEEPERS!



Looking Forward - May

Check out these devotions, articles, and activities about how you can be an **Idolatry-Discerner**:

- <u>'10 Clues That Something Has Become an Idol</u>' by Steve Fuller
- '<u>The Problem with Idols'</u> this is a TfT site from another Christian school. They have awesome ideas for devotions and crafts that go along with several Bible stories that show idol-discernment! It is a great resource for elementary aged students.
- '<u>The Truth About Idolatry</u>' by Leslie Ludy. This is a site written especially for Christian women but we can all learn from what is written here.
- <u>'Idolatry-Discerning: Be Different</u>' This is a kid-friendly website that has several family activity suggestions to help parents teach discernment. Many of our Biblical throughlines are discussed on this site through radio 'plays' and family activities. Check it out!