

Courageous Advocacy at Bryn Offa

“Love your neighbour as yourself” Mark 12: 29-31

At Bryn Offa, we are courageous advocates for the common good, locally, nationally and globally. We recognise that life is full of ups and downs and that at times all people will face challenges that they need help and support in overcoming. We believe that people are worth spending time with, that people need time to grow and need loving attention. The Christian Gospel says that every person has a unique task to do, with God, and for God, whether they know it or not. We hold and courageously advocate the conviction that there is something mysterious, and potentially wonderful, in everybody.

We support a range of charities in our local area, nationally and globally. Staff, work with Rota Kids, governors, parents, pupils and the local community to identify worthy causes to support.

Our Christian values ensure that opportunities to discuss the big issues, to challenge injustice and to engage in activities that can bring about change are always present.

In recent years we have carried out a range of different fund raising to support many good causes, some of which include:

- Oswestry Food Bank
- U and I Counselling
- CHALK – Oswestry Homeless charity
- Hope House
- Readathon – books for seriously ill children
- Epilepsy Society
- National Autistic Society
- Save the Children
- Design in Mind
- Sports Relief;
- NSPCC;
- Comic Relief;
- Children in Need;
- The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

Our children have an excellent grasp on the meaning of belonging to a local and global community and the sense of responsibility that comes with belonging. Thereby developing their ability to empathise and make a small sacrifice to benefit others. Together we consider the beauty and fragility of our environment, the actions we take, and the impact these actions may have on the well-being of everyone. Our school community and curriculum actively embraces a responsibility for the world in which we live. We are diligent to show our connection with, and care for, the world in which we all live and care for the people who live in it:

- Links with Brooke House Care Home (reading; Christmas carols; prayers);
- Involvement with key church events e.g. Mother’s Day Service
- Recycling at Bryn Offa display (Created from plastic bottle tops);
- Developing links with a school internationally (Ethiopia to learn about the similarities, differences & how we can help support/develop each other through these).

