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**KIDS**

## 10th May | Holy Spirit & Creativity

This week we start looking at a new topic. We are thinking about the Holy Spirit in the lead up to Pentecost. Pentecost is on the 31st May and is the day we celebrate the pouring out of God's Holy Spirit on the followers of Jesus. You could call Pentecost the birthday of the Church!

### THE HOLY SPIRIT

The Bible is split into two parts. The first part is called the Old Testament and the second part is the New Testament.

In the Old Testament the Holy Spirit filled **particular people, for a particular task at a particular time.**

That means that in the old Testament we read stories about people being filled with the Holy Spirit for a job or task.

He filled lots of people in the Old Testament. **Kings** like Saul and David. **Prophets**, who spoke on behalf of God to the kings and people of Israel.

We even have this amazing story of God's creative Holy Spirit filling up Bezalel to craft the tabernacle, God's house with His people.

Then the Lord said to Moses, "See, I have chosen Bezalel son of Uri from the tribe of Judah. **I have filled Bezalel with the Spirit of God and have given him the skill, ability, and knowledge to do all kinds of work.** He is able to design pieces to be made from gold, silver, and bronze, to cut jewels and put them in metal, to carve wood, and to do all kinds of work. *Exodus 31:1-5 (NCV)*

**where do you see God's creativity?**

**If God is a creative God, what does that mean for us?**

**This story reads as if God used Bezalel's talents and abilities to do way more than he could do on his own.**

**What are the things you are good at?**

In a few weeks we'll reach Pentecost where we read about the fulfilment of this verse:

**I will pour out my Spirit on all kinds of people.**

**Your sons and daughters will prophesy,  
your old men will dream dreams,  
and your young men will see visions.**

**Joel 2:28**

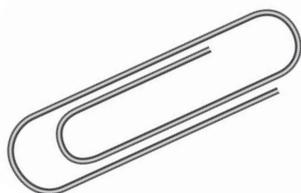
The Holy Spirit is no longer just for particular people, for particular tasks and particular times. He is for everyone. All ages, jobs, genders and ethnicities. More on that in the weeks to come!

### PAPERCLIP CHALLENGE

We've been thinking about creativity.

One thing that creativity means is that you can come up with new ideas.

Challenge your family to come up with as many different and imaginative uses for a paperclip!



### STORY MAKERS

Another kind of creativity is being able to tell stories with words, art, dance... anything really!

Have a go at making a story.

If there are more of you at home you can try and write one together. Taking turns to write a sentence each!

*Remember not to get competitive; it's about having fun with our creativity.*

You could start with "Once upon a time..." or "A long time ago..."

Try adding several characters.

## PRAYER

In the Bible there are beautiful songs and bits of poetry that are called the Psalms. Let's use Psalm 19 as our prayer activity. David (who was King of all Israel) wrote this Psalm and the first verses are all about seeing God's glory in creation.

The heavens declare the glory of God,  
and the skies announce what his hands have made.  
Day after day they tell the story;  
night after night they tell it again.  
They have no speech or words;  
they have no voice to be heard.  
But their message goes out through all the world;  
their words go everywhere on earth.  
The sky is like a home for the sun.  
The sun comes out like a bridegroom from his bedroom.  
It rejoices like an athlete eager to run a race.  
The sun rises at one end of the sky  
and follows its path to the other end.  
Nothing hides from its heat.

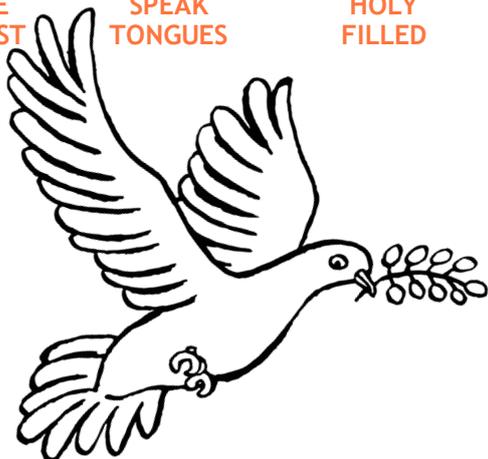
*Psalm 19:1-6 (NCV)*

O M D E D N W Q T H X X G E M  
U A Y N M H I B Q O O U K P Y  
W J U W E V B L V H N L O E O  
O O R I B A M O E E Z G Y N E  
S R N N C E G W T A T N U T I  
K P L D Y D M I R R Q J W E W  
M A N A E G L N O T H E R C S  
C U M L N R X G S L S Z Z O W  
V P L J H G S A H P P N H S X  
Y I C D Y N U M N P I Q D T U  
F P J G X K W A F X S R U R W  
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FIRE  
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BLOWING  
LANGUAGE  
WONDERS  
SPEAK  
TONGUES

SOUND  
AMAZED  
WIND  
HOLY  
FILLED



- What do you love about our planet?
- Thank God for those things. Maybe you could draw a picture of those things... or write the psalm in your own words.



## WORSHIP

It's so good to praise God with songs and actions. Why not end this resource with some worship music. Here's a few ideas or you can check out our [PLAYLIST](#)

[JESUS SEND ME THE HELPER](#)  
[HOLY SPIRIT](#)

We have also put together a Dropbox folder of the songs you may know and love from Junior Choir and Climbers. You can check that out here: [Dropbox Folder](#)

Helen has even recorded some new songs too! Check them out [HERE](#).

We would love to see any of the crafts or things you've done from today's resource. Comment with them on Facebook @ccbeckenhamkids or email [ed@ccb.org.uk](mailto:ed@ccb.org.uk)