**The Christian Value of Love**

**Key Stage 2 – Reflection 2**

*You will need to prepare ‘Love is reflection wheels’ for the children (template attached) or make these with the children in advance. You will need the associated Powerpoint.*

**Slide 1:** Ask the children how they would complete this sentence (you could ask them to discuss it in pairs first if you wish). Use their answers as a way of recapping some of the things that were discussed during Reflection 1.

**Slide 2:**Read the passage and explain to the children that this is a very famous reading from the Bible, where St Paul is explaining to the first Christians about the power of Christian love. You may wish to use a class Bible to show the children whereabouts in the Bible this comes from.

Ask the children:

Are there any parts of the passage that you don’t quite understand?

Which aspects of love do you think are the most important?

Which aspects of love would be the hardest to keep up?

**Slide 3:** Explain to the children who Martin Luther King Jr was; that he would have had every reason to hate white people in the time of segregation but that he was a Christian leader and he knew that hatred could never make the world a better place. **Slide 4:** may be helpful in your explanation. (You can watch a very short summary of the American civil rights movement here, though there are many documentaries available on YouTube, including animated ones for children: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y5l6j_pkAn4>)

**Slide 5:** Discuss with the children how we need to work at love because there can be times when it isn’t easy (e.g. when we are frustrated with people and situations, when we are tempted to ‘gang up’ on people or put other people down).

Children use ‘Love is reflection wheels’ in order to reflect on the things that we need to get better at. You could allow the children to colour the wheels as a meditative activity. Children could keep the wheels as a reminder or some of them could be displayed in the spirituality areas of the classroom.

**Closing prayer**

Lord God, thank you that you first love us.

Help me to love you with all my heart, soul, mind and strength.

Help me to love others as you love me.

Help me to communicate your love to others this week by my actions and my words.

In Jesus’ name, Amen.