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# Prayer Pointers

## July - August 2022



**"Have I not commanded you?**

**Be strong and courageous.**

**Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."**

*Joshua 1:9*

Currently, within all schools, pupils are preparing to move up a year or on to a new school. For some children they're getting ready to start school for the first time. Times of change and transition can greatly impact the lives of our children and young people, therefore we need to pray even more for them at this time. To ask God to help them in their anxieties and concerns, to give them His peace and the courage to face all that will come in September. After Moses died, Joshua was appointed to take his place as leader of the Israelites. In Joshua chapter 1 God speaks to him about what he is to do and what is to come. God reminds Joshua to hold

to all the teaching that Moses had given, to meditate upon it, to follow it. But God also tells Joshua *three* times to be strong and courageous. Joshua 1:9 is very familiar to us, a verse of encouragement that reminds us that God is with us in the uncertainties and changes of life. No matter what we face He stands with us and goes with us. And He will do the same for our children and young people as they prepare for the challenges to come in September.

Paul writes this in Philippians 4  
*Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition with thanksgiving, present*

***Please Turn Over***

*your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*

Here are some things to thank God for and to pray for.

### **Please thank God for...**

- ▶ all that CIS has been involved with in schools this past year; assemblies, chaplaincy and pastoral support
- ▶ all Teachers, TAs and Support Staff who work within schools to educate our children and young people
- ▶ those who work with children and young people week by week in our local churches
- ▶ The Trustees who oversee the work of CIS; Roger Aldridge, Penny Bainbridge, Ashley and Chris Croft, Crista Haak, Kevin How, Chris Jenkins and Martin Money

### **Please pray for...**

- ▶ Year 6 pupils who will be preparing for their move to secondary school
- ▶ Year 11 and 13 pupils as they wait for their GCSE and A level results to arrive in August
- ▶ those moving on to College, Gap Year or University in September
- ▶ the *It's Your Move Book* that will be delivered to Junior Schools over the coming weeks for Year 6 pupils

to help with their transition to Secondary Schools

### ▶ **Future Assemblies**

**St. Francis College Prep.** 4th July;  
**St. Francis College Senior** 6th July;  
**Grange Academy** 6th and 20th July; **Pix Brook Academy** 7th and 8th July; **Etonbury Academy** 8th July; **St. Mary's C of E Academy Stotfold** 11th July; **Norton St. Nicholas C of E Primary School** 11th July;

### ▶ **It's Your Move Presentations**

**Grange Academy** 6th July  
**Norton St. Nicholas C of E Primary School** 11th July

- ▶ staff and pupils as they come to the end of another academic year, that they would be able to rest and relax with their families during the Summer break

- ▶ a time of reflection for Christopher as he comes to the end of another academic year with CIS and prepares for what is to come

*Thank you for your continued prayer and practical support*

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