



Hope



In the Bible hope is the confident expectation of what God has promised and its strength is in His faithfulness.

Inspired by stories of amazing healing, people followed Jesus to the lakeside where they hoped to find him, hoped to hear him, hoped to see him and hoped to be healed by him. When people became hungry and there seemed no hope that the people could be fed, a wonderful miracle happened; a tiny lunch was transformed into enough for 5000. This gave people hope that Jesus can make possible the impossible: their lives would get better if they followed Jesus. Like the people at the lakeside, Christians today have Hope because they see God's enormous and endless love in the world around them. Christians' Hope for the future goes much deeper than personal ambition. They hope that by living as Jesus taught we can improve tomorrow for ourselves and others.

As God wants, we hold the broadest and highest aspirations for ourselves and our community. In our personal goals we seek spiritual growth not just the success that brings material things. We hold on to hope when challenges seem too great or when times are bad. If we are hopeful, what may seem like miracles can happen! We are hopeful we can contribute to a better future.



Hearing Jesus speak and witnessing the miracle of the 5000 inspired hope in the people who saw that the future would be better if they chose to live in the way Jesus taught. At Egerton, this example encourages us to:

- Aspire to be the best we can in all our learning.
- Bring a hopeful and positive attitude to all our learning and trust that difficulties can be overcome.
- Be hopeful for others not just for ourselves.
- Aim to succeed in our learning but also to be a good person who make a positive difference in the world.

