

Dalton School



During this academic year we have been reviewing our school mission statement. Initially, the governors and staff worked together alongside Neville Norcross, an advisor from Liverpool Diocese, who helped us to review and evaluate our vision. The children were very much involved in what they believed was special about Dalton St Michael's.

One of the main comments about our school is a 'sense of belonging' so we felt that was important to include in our mission statement. It was also important to include the word 'believe' to show our Christianity and also belief in ourselves. We are very proud of our achievements on a daily basis as well as our achievements as we leave Dalton St Michael's in year six. Therefore, it was significant to include the word 'achieve'. We really wanted to include Ashurst Beacon as a beacon of hope and light which shines in our community.

To celebrate our new mission statement we asked Julia Allison, a textile artist, to work with our children to make a new school banner. First, the children drew images from our community. These were sent to Julia who made a draft banner form paper using our images. In February, she came to work with the children in school. All the school community were involved.



Our Reception children prepared the tree canopy for the banner.

They really worked well as a team.

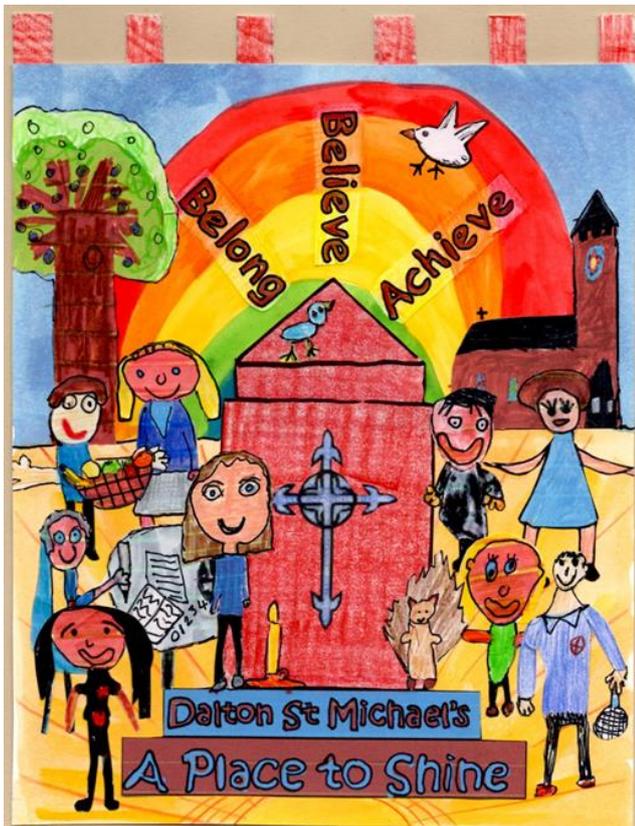


Molly prepared the trunk of the tree.



Then Jack attached it to the banner.

Julia showed us how she attached the material and the banner using her extraordinary sewing machine.



We are very pleased with our new banner. Each of the images has a story to tell which the children would be delighted to explain.

One of the first times it will be used is when the Bishop of Liverpool visits Dalton soon.

Our Year Six children are looking forward to taking the new banner to the 'Leaver's Service' at Liverpool Cathedral at the end of June.