



## Holy Trinity Church and Leverstock Green CE Primary School

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2023



After lighting our candle, saying our opening prayer and singing our song, we started our worship by trying to guess what was concealed inside a sealed box. After a few wrong guesses, we were promised a surprise would follow – just like the disciples who were about to be surprised in our bible story.

Not that they hadn't already been through a few emotions in recent times - devastated by Jesus' death on Good Friday, amazed by his resurrection three days later, and then surprised by all the times he'd met with lots of people over the following forty days – and here they were in today's story, walking up a hill with Jesus when suddenly he started to rise up into the sky!

At that moment, our mystery box opened and out sprang a balloon which also started to rise up into the air like Jesus... but sadly not for long. Caught by the breeze, the balloon drifted over and behind our heads until it nestled comfortably in the trees. Not quite the perfect illustration of Jesus' ascension into heaven, but it mirrored the surprise of Jesus' ascension.



Then it was bubble-blowing time, aiming them up into the air and imagining the sadness of the disciples as, like Jesus, the bubbles drifted away, or in many cases popped and totally disappeared.

As we created our beautiful bubbles, we thought about two questions from our story.

1. Just before his ascension, Jesus had told his disciples to tell everyone about him.  
**How can we tell people about Jesus today?**

2. Two angels appeared at the end of the story who told the disciples not to keep looking for Jesus in the sky. **Where can we see, hear or feel Jesus in our world today?**

Lots of thoughtful reflections were written down and attached to our balloon, which was now so heavy it stood no chance of drifting away.

Why not pop into school to read all our answers!



