



Road Map for Schools & Churches.

The Growing Faith Adventure enables flourishing relationships between church, school & home, with the ultimate goal of ***“Creating spaces where children, young people and families can grow in faith together, changing the mind set from a focus on sustaining & growing small numbers to developing connections in a wider range of settings, through providing a journey of opportunities to connect.”***

Follow these practical steps to evaluate and shape your approach...

Stage 1: REFLECT AND PRAY (approximately 6 months)

Pray about the adventure. You may wish to use our GF prayer throughout this process.
 Consider where are you now & what is your current relationship with your local school or Church?
 Are there any barriers, if so what are they?
 What ways are you currently working together?
 What are the opportunities for church, school & home relationships? (use the separate sheet)

Stage 2: WORKING IN THE INTERSECTIONS—developing a minimum of 2 – 5 areas per intersection (approximately 1 year)

Church & School

How do you develop connections with your local schools/Church & serve each other more effectively?

Starter Ideas: -

- Love your School (see attached sheet) Love your Church (see attached sheet)
- Revealing Jesus framework, supported by Scripture Union
- Church Tours/Hosting school services
- Collective worship /Open the book Storytelling teams
- Linking with Festivals & projects (Eg: Supporting social justice projects together, Experience Events)
- Holiday hunger projects

School & Home

How do you (school) practically support, equip and empower local children, young people & their families to develop their faith at home?

Starter Ideas: -

- Talking points on newsletters & or social media
- Prayer ideas for home
- Parent participation
- Seasonal services & Events
- Opportunities to join Collective Worship
- Celebration Worship

Church & Home

How do you (Church) provide opportunities for children, young people and families to develop their faith at home?

Starter Ideas: -

- Baptism & Follow up
- Toddler groups/ Who Let The Dads out groups
- Children, Youth & families on every PCC agenda
- Resources to support families
- Personal invitations to church social events
- Faith-based takeaway activities from All Age Service

For further support in developing a strategy to move forward:

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Stage 3: DEVELOPING A WORSHIPPING COMMUNITY (approximately 6 months)



To develop a New Worshipping Community aimed at school families and staff outside of the school day.

This is designed to connect Church, Home and School together

It will be primarily led by the local Church, with support by the School.

This will be set up in agreement with the Church PCC and School Governors (MOU).

Stage 4: LAUNCH AND LEAD A NEW WORSHIPPING COMMUNITY (ongoing)

The new worshipping community will be enriched by spiritual encounters, through the sharing of personal stories and developing imaginative practises that help make faith relevant to all.

It includes mission, discipleship, leadership and worship; this will be led by the local church and embedded as an integral part of wider Parish life.

Following this adventure road map, alongside the support of the Growing Faith Learning Network & Resource Signposting, will enable you to develop opportunities to create intentional missional spaces to grow and develop your ministry to children, young people & families in school, churches & home.

For further support in developing a strategy to move forward:

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