



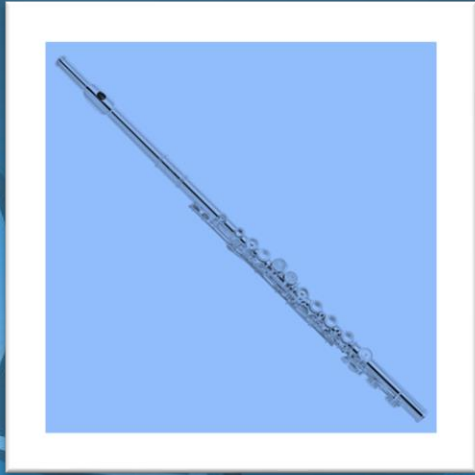
Year 4 GIFT Ambassadors

Saint Cecilia Celebration of the Word 19.11.25





Procession and Presentation of Musical Instruments



Gathering Hymn

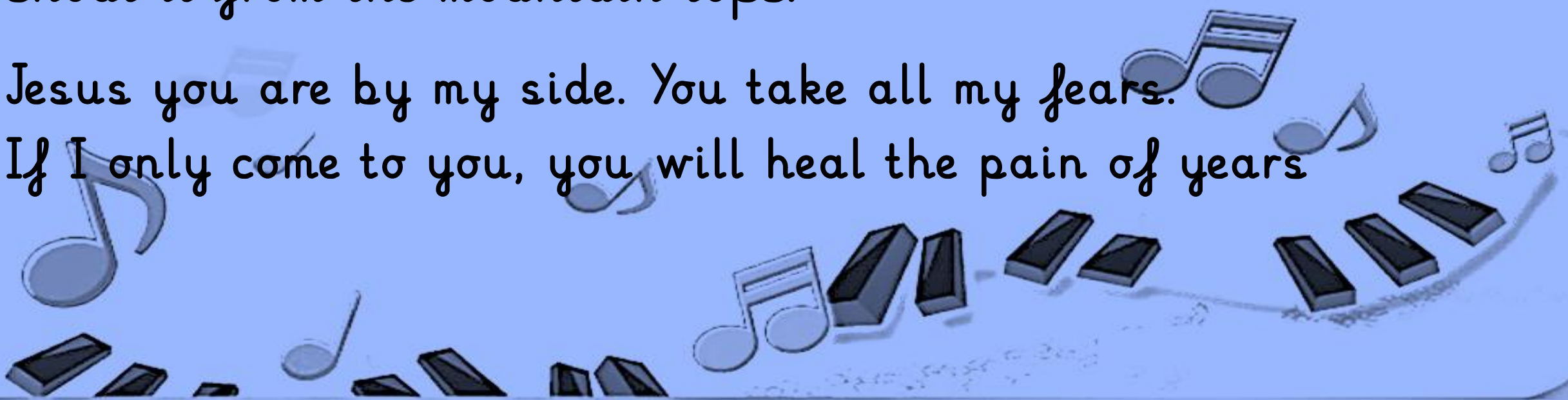
Sing it in the valleys, shout it from the mountain tops;
Jesus came to save us, and his saving never stops.

He is King of Kings, and new life he brings,
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shout it from the mountain tops,
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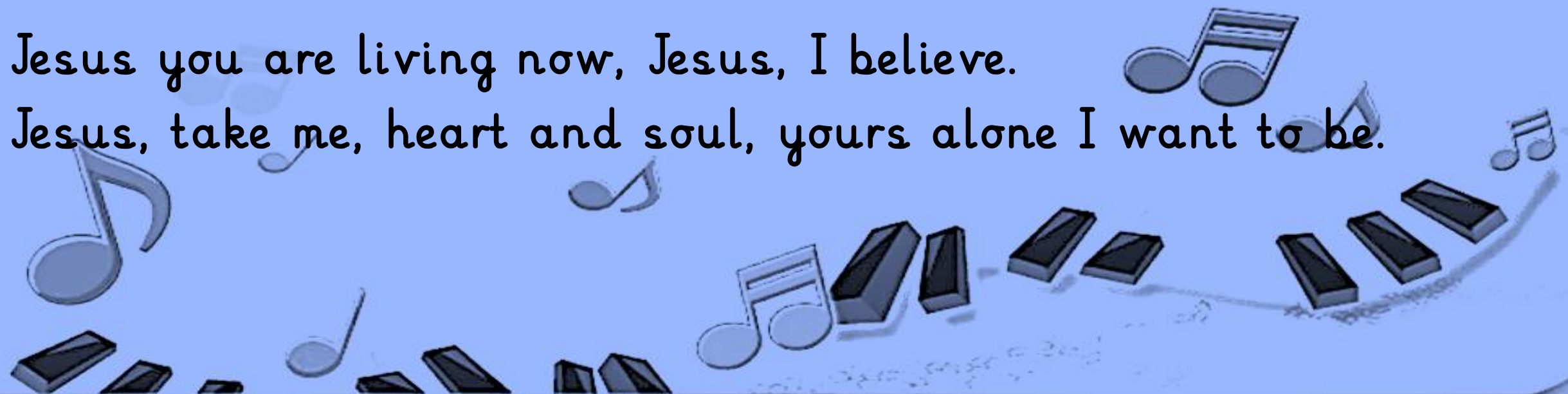
Jesus you are by my side. You take all my fears.

If I only come to you, you will heal the pain of years

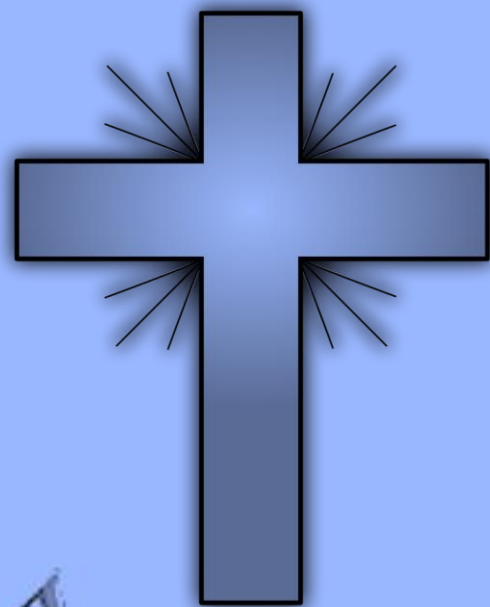


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Jesus you are living now, Jesus, I believe.
Jesus, take me, heart and soul, yours alone I want to be.



WELCOME



Saint Cecilia was born into a rich Roman family in the third century. The name Cecilia means 'Lily of Heaven.' She was a very happy child who liked to pray because she believed that Jesus loved her and watched over her always. She never missed going to Mass.



Cecilia also loved music, and she would often sing to God in her heart. Her favourite musical instruments were the organ, the harp and the viola.



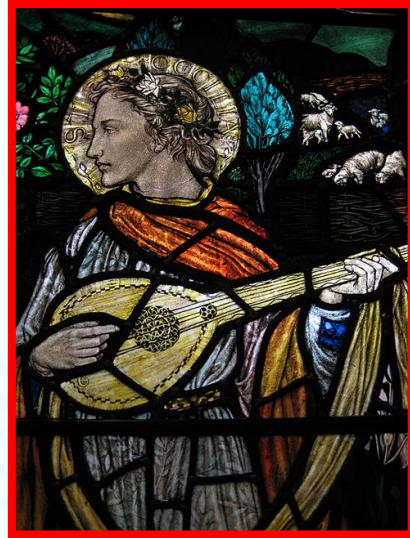
As she grew older, Cecilia wanted to give her life to Jesus as a nun. But her parents wanted her to get married, and so she did. During her wedding Cecilia sang in her heart to the Lord and heard heavenly music. Cecilia often talked to her husband, Valerian, and his brother about God. Soon they became Christians.



Cecilia, her husband, Valerian and his brother helped the poor, the sick and anyone in need. They also dedicated themselves to burying the saints who were being murdered. Later, Valerian and his brother were arrested and killed for their faith.



Cecilia spent her time preaching the word of God and in her lifetime was able to convert over four hundred people, most of whom were baptised by Pope Urban. Before she died, she gave away all her possessions to the poor.



Cecilia was arrested and tortured. She prayed and sang to God throughout her ordeal. She lived for three days and was buried by Pope Urban and his deacons.



She is often shown playing a musical instrument reminding musicians to use their talents for God. Saint Cecilia is the Patron Saint of Musicians.

Saint Cecilia, pray for us.



Acclamation

Praise to the Lord Alleluia, come hear his word Alleluia.
Open your hearts Alleluia, praise the Lord Alleluia.



Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your heart.

Sing Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise to the Lord..



A reading from Saint Paul's Letter to the Ephesians

Since you are God's dear children, you must try to be like him. Your life must be controlled by love, just as Christ loved us and gave his life for us. Speak to one another with the words of psalms, hymns, and sacred songs; sing hymns and psalms to the Lord with praise in your hearts. In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, always give thanks for everything to God the Father.

The word of the Lord.



He who
SINGS
Prays TWICE





Loving Jesus, please help us to live like St Cecilia who used her talents to help people come to know Jesus and looked after the poor.



Loving Jesus, we pray for ourselves that we will sing hymns and religious songs well to give you praise.



Loving Jesus, we pray for people who are learning a musical instrument that they will practice and keep going and be the best they can be.



Loving Jesus, we pray for our music teachers, Mr Jones and Mr Jenkins as they help us with musical notation and how to play an instrument that they will make us play amazingly well.



Loving Jesus, help us to use our talents well to spread love and joy in our school, MAC and community.



Loving Jesus, we bring before you Mrs Hipkiss who is celebrating her birthday today. We hope she has a lovely day and enjoys her special time with her family.





Loving Jesus, we pray for people who have died that they will be happy in heaven with you.



We will now pray the Litany of Saint Cecilia

Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy

Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy

Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy

God the Father of heaven, have mercy on us

God the Son Redeemer of the world, have mercy on us

God the Holy Spirit, have mercy on us

Saint Cecilia, pray for us

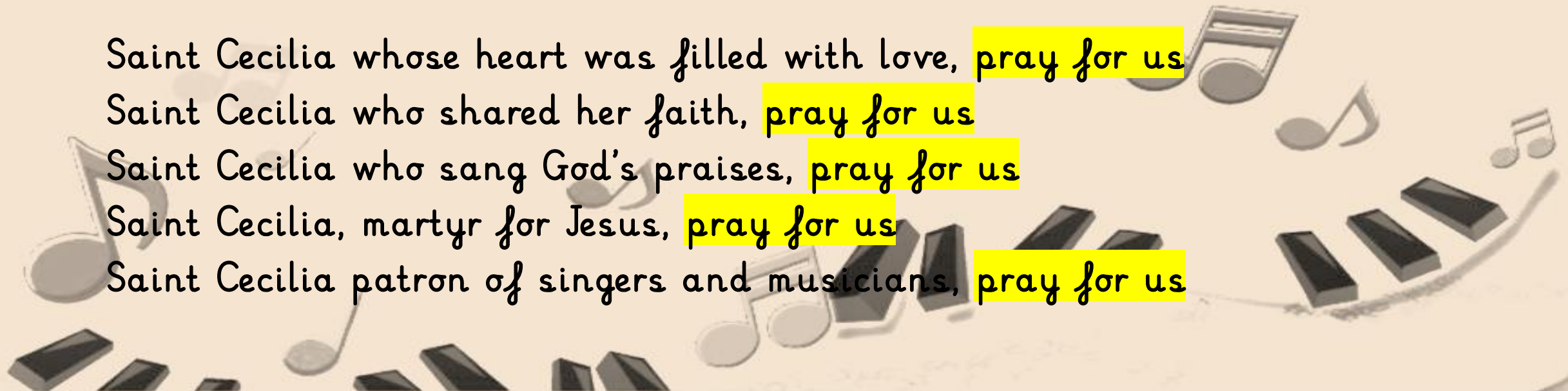
Saint Cecilia whose heart was filled with love, pray for us

Saint Cecilia who shared her faith, pray for us

Saint Cecilia who sang God's praises, pray for us

Saint Cecilia, martyr for Jesus, pray for us

Saint Cecilia patron of singers and musicians, pray for us



Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.

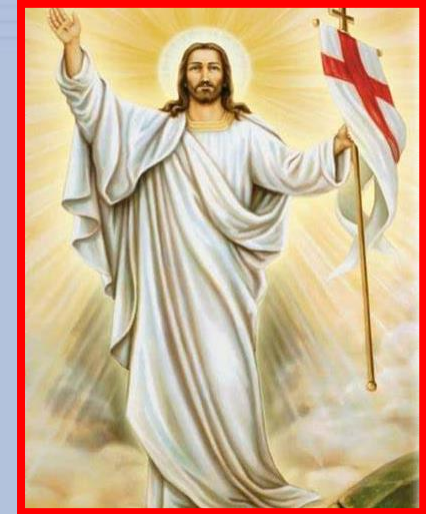
Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.



Final Hymn

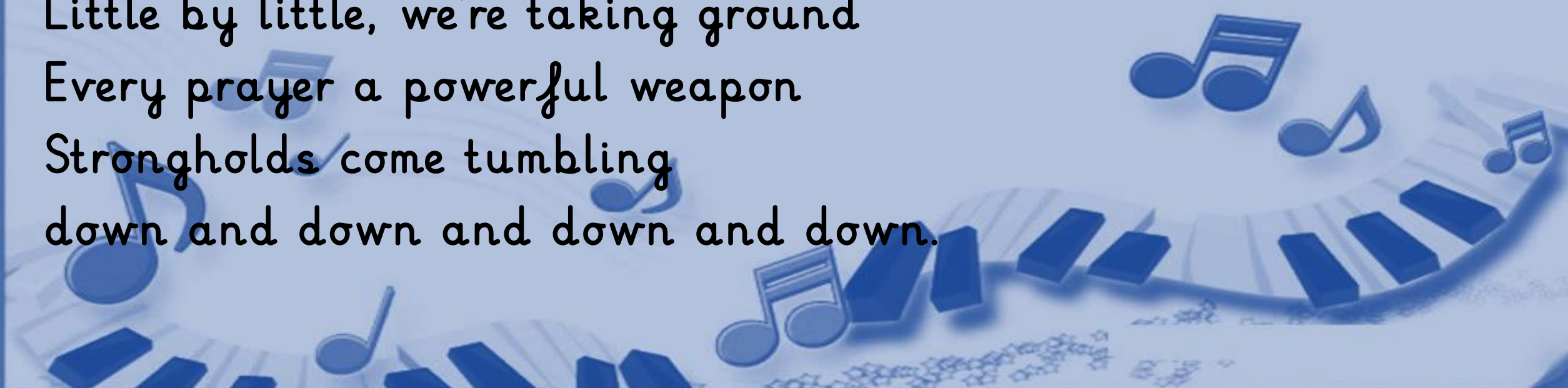
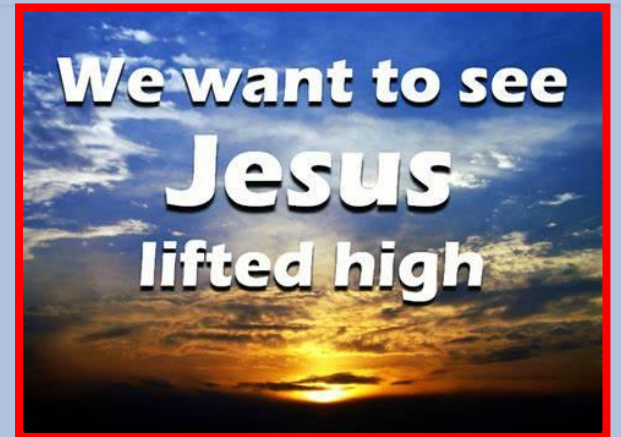
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A banner that flies across this land
That all might see the truth and know
He is the way to heaven.



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We want to see, we want to see
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Step by step, we're moving forward
Little by little, we're taking ground
Every prayer a powerful weapon
Strongholds come tumbling
down and down and down and down.



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Our Mission is to join in with the singing in our special Mass next week for St Andrew to make it a joyful celebration. If you have any music certificates or trophies, please bring them to our next Dove Celebration.

