

Jubilee Launch Day for schools

Suggested plan for the day

In the Jubilee Year school communities are invited to join together as pilgrims of hope, pledging to work together for God's kingdom of justice, peace and love.

Celebrate the start of the Jubilee Year on Launch Day and embark on a shared journey to mark this Holy Year as a significant and memorable moment.

Planning your Launch Day on 24 January 2025

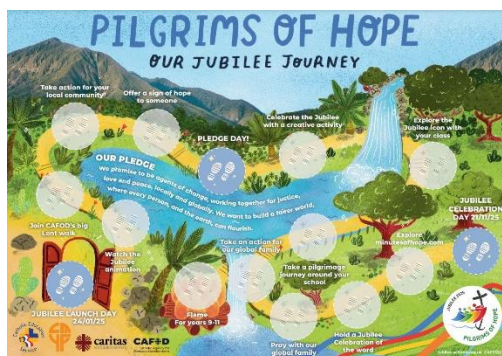
There are many ways to celebrate Jubilee Launch Day as a school community. Use our flexible resources to plan a memorable Launch Day and to prepare for the journey towards your Jubilee pledge in the summer.

A few words that you could use to introduce the day:

Pope Francis has called the global Church to celebrate the Jubilee together, with deep faith, lively hope, and active charity. Our scripture for Launch Day will be the Gospel reading for the Sunday, from Luke 4, where Jesus makes it clear that his mission is to bring the justice and freedom of the Jubilee. Inspired by his example, we can share in his mission to create a world of justice, peace and love. In this very special year, we are all invited to journey together as pilgrims of hope, putting faith into action to build a better world for everyone.

Order resources

Get ready for your Launch Day by ordering a [Jubilee banner](#) for the school gates and [Pilgrims of Hope maps](#) for your classrooms. Why not order [prayer cards](#) for pupils to share with their families?



If you have 30 – 45 minutes...

Watch: Launch Day film (coming soon!)

Reflect and celebrate together:

- Share the Jubilee [Prayer of Hope](#).
- Hold a Jubilee Celebration of the Word with [primary](#) pupils and [secondary](#) pupils
- Begin to reflect on your jubilee journey - the [Jubilee map](#) can support this

Take action to build a better world:

- Look at the [Jubilee Pledge](#): how will you live out the pledge in this Jubilee year, locally and globally?
- Use the [See, Judge, Act template](#) to start considering what action the whole school community will take in working towards your pledge day
- EYFS/KS1: Explore the [colouring sheet](#) – How is the Jubilee being celebrated in the pictures?

Make a day of it!

Want to make a day of it? Choose from our list of further resources, including global social justice activities and the Jubilee icon reflection materials. You could:

- Use the Jubilee [animation presentation](#) and [script](#) to explore the origins and impact of a Jubilee year in more detail. What can you see? Why? What does it link to?
- Use the Jubilee [logo explainer](#) to explore the themes of this Jubilee. Invite pupils to respond creatively.
- Share the Jubilee icon reflection for [primary](#) pupils and [secondary](#) pupils. How would pupils depict the scripture passage of Luke 4:16-21?
- Use the quotes from Pope Francis' writing about the Jubilee (Hope Does Not Disappoint), together with questions, to prompt discussion and learning.