

20 Ideas for Education Sunday

Education Sunday is a special time and could be shared in school, bringing the community into the 'world of education' or taken to the 'outside world of the community' by celebrating in church.... or why not do both!

10 for your school.....

- Celebrate your successes in words, music and art Make a special school banner for the occasion or even one for every class
- Ask all parents to write a sentence or to about 'what education means to me'
- Create an Education Sunday wall-hanging on fabric, collage, clay-work with panels depicting aspects of your school
- Have an 'education treasure box' in the school entrance where people can add their treasured photo memories of their school days
- Take photographs which capture the 'spirit of your school'
- Give every pupil a commemorative bookmark, blessed by the incumbent, to mark the occasion
- Have one (or more) of the pupils give the address
- Invite parents to say why they think the school is special
- Hold an 'open-day' in school and invite the community

10 for your church.....

- Hold a service with the theme...'School is a special place'
- Invite a special guest to speak at your service, e.g. the bishop, a retired head teacher, your local MP, an ex-pupil
- Have a large display of school work in church
- Gather a 'working group' of pupils, parents, staff and members of the church community to write an act of worship for the occasion
- Invite older members of the community to contribute to a 'book' of school memories with words and photos if possible
- Make an 'education Sunday' time -capsule
- Cut out 'trophies' in card e.g. shields, cups etc) and write something you value about your school on each one
- Consider if it may be possible for the PCC and PTA to jointly give a Bible to each pupil to mark the occasion
- Ask pupils to write and lead prayers and intercessions for the service
- See if pupils, staff, governors, members of the church and community can link hands around the church