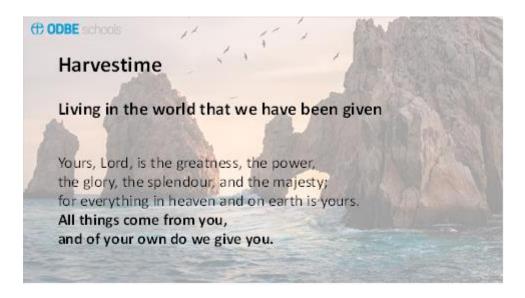


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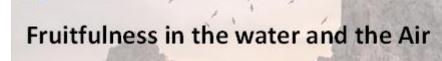
The prayer of David opens our worship.



(*) ODBE schools

The Harvest Season/Creation worship

Sea: Slide 2



From Day 5 of the Creation Story...

God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky." So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth."

Another part of the creation story.

Pause to reflect on the words. What strikes pupils from the passage?

Why might birds and water creatures be included on the same day?

Does 'monsters' mean mythical creatures such as the Kraken or just big things like whales?

You may choose just to have a moment of quiet while pupils reflect.



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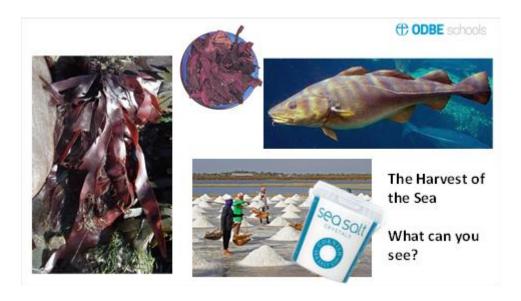
Some questions to ponder.

As before, encourage pupils to explain why a particular creature is their favourite.

How do creatures show us the ingenuity of God in the world that has been created?



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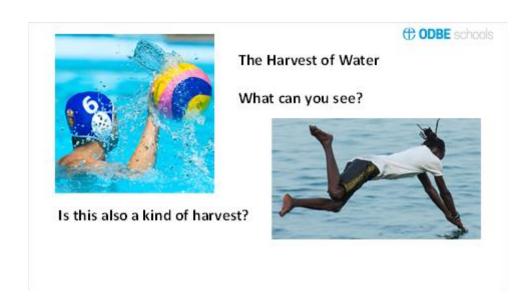


Not all the harvest from the sea is fish
Many people collect seaweed, this is becoming a more widely appreciated foodstuff.
Who has tried it?
There is a big trade in sea salt
Do you use sea salt at home?

Which fish come from rivers and lakes rather than the sea?



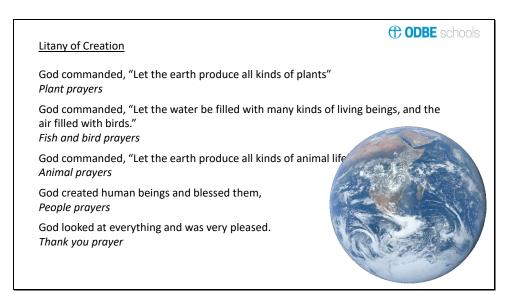
Sea: Slide 5



Is there a 'harvest' of fun or fitness about water through swimming and sailing? This is a different way of thinking about harvest It is an expression of fulfilment – perhaps an example of John 10:10, living life in all its fullness.



Sea: Slide 6

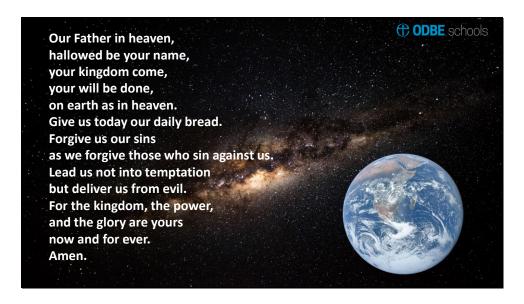


An optional structure for prayer – see Developmental Prayer File page15* Pupils' own prayers (or perhaps parents' or staff prayers) should be inserted at the points in italics. This could be an opportunity to involve extemporary prayer or for silent prayer/reflection.

*https://www.odbe.org.uk/content/pages/documents/collectiveworship-prayerfile-doc-202175554553377.pdf



Sea: Slide 7



The session closes with the Lord's Prayer.