It’s Your Move Assembly

1. Introduction

Introduce yourself. If you visit any of the local secondary schools, mention that the children going to those schools will see you in September. Explain that in this assembly we are going to be thinking about moving on to secondary school. If follow-up assemblies or lessons are planned, tell the children when to expect more details about moving on.

Ask: Which schools are they going to?

Discuss:

Part of growing up is facing changes. We react differently to change because we are all different and unique.

There will be some new and exciting things at your new school but you may feel a bit nervous about some of them at the moment.

Today, let us see how we are all feeling about moving.

Activity:

On table: 2 large sheets of paper

Sheet 1: “Thumbs Down” symbol

Sheet 2: “Thumbs Up” symbol

Invite students to come up and write down on sheet 1, things they are anxious of about moving schools. (eg, Friends going to different schools,

On sheet 2, write down the things most looking forward to. (eg, new subjects, learning languages, school dinner choices)

Feedback: Engage in feedback using answers given and emphasise the positive things on list and reassure where there are fears

Give out IYM Books:

Gift from churches/CICS, Explain purpose, refer to a few pages as example of the content

Prayer (Check prior with school if appropriate to pray with students)

Introduce this by saying that you are going to close with a short prayer. Explain that prayer is simply talking to God. At the end you will say Amen, and invite the children to say Amen if they would like to. Explain that if they’d rather just sit quietly and listen, then that is absolutely fine.