

Going Deeper

Matilda knew being little didn't mean she couldn't do a lot, she knew she could do things. In the Bible, Paul reminds Timothy (1 Timothy, chapter 4, verse 12 (ICB)) "You are young, but do not let anyone treat you as if you were not important..". How does the world look down on children? What are some of the things that kids have done that are amazing?



We are miracles. Read Psalm 139, verses 13 - 18). What does this Psalm tell us about how God sees us? How does this help us to reframe the negative ideas we get from ourselves and others?



Read Isaiah, chapter 1, verse 17. The Bible tells us to stand up for others. We see Matilda do this (watch at 44m and 1h 31m for examples). Where are the opportunities for us to stand up and make a difference?

If you have been affected by any of the topics in the film, or know someone who may be experiencing similar things to Matilda, you can call Childline 0800 1111 for advice.

The BIG Question

What BIG things could children be doing to make a difference?

Become The Change

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Activities

Wondering

STEP 1

Get ready to go to the theatre. Dress up in your favourite clothes. Close the curtains, dim the lights and enjoy the musical!

STEP 2

Get comfy, snuggle in and watch the film.



STEP 3

Have a chat (perhaps while you're doing some of the activities). What spoke to you in the film? Where do you see God or yourself in the film?

STEP 3

Have a go at the activities and some of the questions!



Guess the Story.
Think of your favourite story and then act it out, without speaking! How quickly can people guess your favourite story?

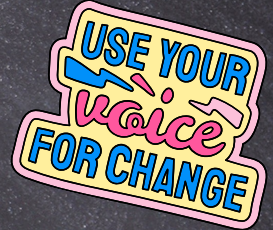
Get your dancing shoes on.
Copy and learn one of the dance scenes. Which one is your favourite? Which one is the easiest to learn? A tutorial for 'Revolting Children' can be found at bit.ly/MatildaDance



"When I grow up..."
What do you want to be when you grow up? Create/draw a picture of you when you grow up.
Make a badge with "When I grow up" and tell people what you will be and what you will do.



Revolting Children!
How did the children in the film revolt? What have you or could you be 'revolting' about and how?



Matilda's life started by being told she was a miracle, but not everyone in her life valued her or loved her. How can we show others, and ourselves, that we are loved, valued and that we are indeed miracles?

Matilda was resilient and found her hope in stories. She gave others the courage to never give up (see when the children began to revolt, 1hr 5m and 1hr 32m). Where do you find your resilience and courage to never give up?

