

Worship

This term we are thinking about fear and courage. Today we are thinking about the fable of The Frogs and the Ox

You can listen to the story here: [English KS1/KS2: Aesop's Fables - 2. The Frogs and the Ox - BBC Teach](#)

Or ask an adult to read it to you by finding the story on the worship page of the website (follow this link): [Worship Space - ST MARYS PRIMARY SCHOOL \(banburystmarysschool.co.uk\)](#)

A young Frog sees the Ox by the pond. Excited, he calls for his mother to come and see the 'monster'. The mother Frog, who is very fat, does not believe that any creature in the pond can be bigger than she is, but agrees to come and see it. She is unable to move very far without breathing heavily, due to her size. This extra air makes her blow up like a beach ball. Still not wanting to admit that any creature in the pond could be bigger than her, she asks the young Frog whether the monster is as big as this. When she hears that it is still bigger, she sucks in more and more air, until she flies off, just like a balloon.

Reflection

It takes real courage to be yourself, especially when you are worried about what other people will think. Think about a time when you have had to have courage in yourself. Don't try to pretend to be something you are not.

