



Year 2 - Spring 2 - RE Knowledge Organiser

What I already know...

The children in Year 1 began to explore Christianity. Learning who Jesus was and how he was the Son of God.

What I will learn...

Good Friday

On Good Friday, Christians remember the day that Jesus was crucified. Leaders in Jerusalem were jealous that people listened to Jesus and so they had him crucified. Christians believe it is 'good', because Jesus showed great love and died for the sins of others. When he died, his body was put in a stone tomb.

Easter Sunday

On Easter Sunday, Christians celebrate Jesus' resurrection. The resurrection of Jesus gives Christians the promise of eternal life in heaven.

Easter Traditions

Many Christians go to church at Easter. Parts of the Bible are read and special hymns are sung. Hot cross buns are eaten. The cross reminds people that Jesus died on the cross. Many Christians send Easter cards. Simnel cake is eaten. It is a fruit cake with eleven marzipan balls on the top. These represent all of the disciples except Judas. Eggs are painted and chocolate eggs are given. The eggs symbolise new life and are the same shape as the rock that was rolled in front of Jesus' tomb.

Key Vocabulary

Easter	The oldest and most important Christian festival.
Christians	People who follow the religion of Christianity.
Jesus	The son of God.
resurrection	When Jesus came back to life.
disciples	The twelve followers of Jesus.
symbolise	When something stands for something else.
betray	To be unfaithful or break a promise to someone.
Holy Communion	A special service in church, where Christians share bread and wine.

Making a difference at home

What signs of new life can you identify at home? Has your plant grown? Can you identify any new born animals?



Making a difference at The Merton

The principal aim of RE is to engage pupils in systematic enquiry into significant human questions which religion and worldviews address, so that they can develop the understanding and skills needed to appreciate and appraise varied responses to these questions, as well as develop responses of their own. This unit enables pupils to find out Christianity. They begin the unit by looking for signs of new life that come in the Spring. Using the theme of Easter, the children will connect the idea of eggs, new life and the belief in Jesus' resurrection. We talk about the Christian belief that Jesus rises from death (resurrection) on the Sunday after his death, and how this shows Christians that Jesus has opened up a way for them to have a new life after they die – a life with God in heaven.