

Reception RE Knowledge Map

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Key Questions

What is precious to you?
Why do Christians believe we are precious to God?
What happens in the Creation story in the Bible?
What does the Creation story tell us?
Who do Christians believe made the world?
How can we look after the natural world?
What is similar/different between you and your friends?
What makes you precious and unique?
How and why do Christians celebrate the Harvest Festival?
What are you thankful for?

**Autumn 1
Who Made The
Wonderful World?**

Key Vocabulary

Valuable	Natural	Celebration
Special	Nature	Church
Precious	World	Harvest
Treasured	Wonderful	Festival
Unique	Beauty	Share
Christian	Detail	
God	Look after	
Creator	Human beings	
Bible	Care	
Beginning	Love	
Creation	Thankfulness	

Key Learning

Concepts of valuable and precious.	Reflection and listening to each other.
What Christians believe about creation.	Developing awareness of others and their viewpoints.
The Bible & Church.	
How each individual is unique and precious.	Attitudes and behaviour towards the natural world, care towards creation.
Thankfulness and being grateful for the world around us.	Developing a sense of 'awe and wonder'.
Harvest Festival	
Sharing the gifts of creation.	

Key Festivals/ Events

Harvest Festival
Creation Story:
First Day—Light & dark
Second Day—Clouds & oceans
Third Day—Sun, moon & stars
Fourth Day—Land, plants & trees
Fifth Day—Fish & birds
Sixth day — Man & animals
Seventh Day—God rested

Enrichment activities

Nature walk
around the school
grounds.

Learning Certainty
Imaginative

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How do people prepare for a new baby?
How would you feel about a new baby?
What happened when Angel Gabriel visited Mary?
How did Mary and Joseph feel about having a special baby?
What is Advent?
How do Christians/ people prepare for Christmas?
What happened in the Christmas story? Why is it an important story?
What are some religious symbols and words?
Why are they important?

Key Vocabulary

Christian	Manger	Christmas
Special	Special baby	Good news
Jesus	Bible	Joy
Mary	Advent	Peace
Joseph	Wreath	Human
Angel Gabriel	Candle	
Innkeeper	Altar	
Shepherds	Cloth	

Autumn 2
Why is Christmas special for Christians?

Key Learning

- The story of Jesus' birth.
- The emotions of the characters in the Christmas story.
- How people prepare for Christmas.
- Christmas is a special time for Christians because God came to earth in human form as Jesus.
- Jesus' birth brings a message of joy, peace and good news to Christians .
- British values—morals (right and wrong).

Key Festivals/ Events

- Christmas
- Angel Gabriel visits Mary
- Mary & Joseph travel to Bethlehem
- Advent
- Separate to this unit but covered during this time*
- Dia de los Muertos
- Diwali
- Hannukah

Enrichment activities

- Parent visit/ talk about Day of the Dead, Hannukah and Diwali
- Making Diya lamps
- Visit to the church
- Nativity Show

Learning Certainty
Determined

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Who is special to you?
Who is particularly special to Christians? Why?
What happened in the story of 'The Lost Sheep'?
What is important to other people?
What happened in the story of 'Jesus lost as a child in the Temple'?
What happened in the story of 'Jesus feeds the 5,000'?
What do you think of the story? Why was it a miracle?
What is a miracle?
What happened in the story of 'Jesus healing the paralysed man'?
How can we show love to one another?

Spring 1
Why do Christians
believe Jesus is
Special?

Key Vocabulary

Special	Temple
Jesus	Commandment
Miracle	Son of God
Christian	Human
Heal	Incarnation
Bible	

Key Learning

- Stories of miracles from the Bible— 'Jesus feeding the 5000' and 'Jesus heals the paralysed man'. teaches people to love one another.
- Christians believe that Jesus loves everyone; is God's son; was God born as a human (Incarnation); works miracles including healing people and Looking at right and wrong within the stories in the Bible.

Key Festivals/ Events

- Jesus feeds the 5000
 - Jesus teaches in the Temple
- Separate to this unit but covered during this time*
- Chinese New Year
 - Epiphany

Enrichment activities

- Parent visit/ talk about Chinese New Year
- Making bread

Learning Certainty
Inclusive

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Who did Christians believe Jesus was?
How do we treat people who are special?
Why do Christians share bread and wine today?
What special meals do you have in your life? Who do you share food and drink with and when?
Where do people go when they are worried? What do they do?
When, where and why do Christians pray?
What happened in the lead up to Easter Sunday?
What is the significance of the stone; the cross; the bread; the wine?
How do Christians celebrate Easter? Why?

Spring 2
What is so special about Easter?

Key Vocabulary

Christian	Cross	Garden of
Easter	Prayer	Gethsemane
Festival	Easter Day	
Palm Sunday	Risen	
Disciple	Tomb	
Friend	Celebrate	
Last Supper	Hosanna	
Good Friday	Tomb	

Key Learning

- The events of Holy Week as celebrated by Christians—the Easter story.
- Christians believe Jesus died on a cross to show God's love to the world and that because of Jesus, everyone can be forgiven for their 'sins'.
- Beginning to recognise the importance of bread and wine for Christians.
- How Christians remember what happened at Easter and how they celebrate the festival of Easter.
- Understanding how people celebrate and remember things that are important to them
- The importance of saying sorry for the things that we have done wrong and repairing relationships—with each other and with God.
- Beginning to understand ways people show love to each other and the importance of having friends.

Key Festivals/ Events

- Ash Wednesday
- Holy Week
- Palm Sunday
- Last Supper
- Good Friday
- Easter Sunday
- Passiontide
- Shrove Tuesday

Enrichment activities

- Making pancakes
- Ash Wednesday Collective Worship
- Easter Egg Hunt & decorating

Learning Certainty
Focused

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- What does 'rescue' mean? Who is a rescuer?
- What stories show Jesus as a rescuer?
- Who did Jesus rescue? How?
- What did Jesus rescue people from?
- How would it feel to be...lonely? Afraid? Sad? Sick?
- What is a miracle?

Key Vocabulary

Jesus	Healing	Trust	Miracle
Rescue	God Pray	Believe	Save
Rescuer	Thankful	Faith	Saviour
Christian	Lonely	Comfort	
The Bible	Zacchaeus	Peace	
Disciples	Tax collector	Joy	
Charity	Love	Hope	
Blind	Centurion	Afraid	

Summer 1 How did Jesus 'rescue' people?

Key Learning

- Bible stories explored: 'Jesus helps the disciples fill their nets', 'Jesus heals the blind beggar', 'The 10 Lepers', 'Zacchaeus', 'The Centurion's servant' and 'Jesus calms the storm'.
- Christians believe Jesus could rescue people from being sad, afraid, lonely, hungry, blind, and ill.
- Christians believe Jesus could perform miracles.
- Christians believe that Jesus came to save (or 'rescue') people and give them "life in all its fullness".
- Exploring emotions and what we need to help us.
- Thinking about people who are hungry, blind, ill, alone, sad and/or afraid and what we can do to help.
- Thinking about people who help us, e.g. doctors, firefighters, family, friends, teachers, etc.

Key Festivals/ Events

- Ascension Day
- Global Accessibility Awareness Day
- International Nurses Day
- International Firefighters Day

Enrichment activities

- Key Worker Visit – potentially police or fire engine

Learning Certainty Responsive

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Who helps care for our special world?
Who do Christians believe created the world?
Why is our world special?
Who named the animals? Why are some animals extinct?
Why are some animals in danger of becoming extinct?
What can we do to help care for the animals of the world?
What **will** you do to look after the animals of the world?
What is God's house? Who cares for God's house (church)?
What do you think is the most important thing that has been created?
Why is it important to look after the world?

Summer 2
Who cares for
this special
world and why?

Key Vocabulary

Christian	Animals	Equal
Creation	Adam & Eve	Recycling
Service	Environment	Tidying
Community	Extinct	Litter
Church	Responsible	
World	Care	
God	Custodian	
Creator	Steward	

Key Learning

- Christians believe God created the world.
- Christians believe we are all borrowing the world from God and are custodians of it while we are alive on Earth.
- How everyone can help care for our world.
- What we can do to look after the environment (on a local scale as well as globally) and care for animals.
- Sense of community and responsibility e.g. for looking after the school/home.
- How to value the world.

Key Festivals/ Events

- World Environment Day

Enrichment activities

- Farm Trip
- Church Visit
- Trip to Kew Gardens

Learning Certainty
Resourceful