

R.E. Newsletter for Year Six Parents

(Spring term, second half 2024)

This half term your child will be studying the topic of the Jesus the Messiah:

"God's Self-Revelation and the covenant relationship reach their fullness in Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God. He is truly God and, as a man, truly human. His life, death and resurrection are the central event of all human history and at the heart of faith. His cross is the sign of his unique offering of himself for each and every human being. As truly God, Jesus reveals the truth and love of God; as truly human, Jesus reveals the perfect response to God and intimate communion with his Father – 'Abba'." **Religious Education Curriculum Directory p.14**

Key Learning Objectives

In this unit the children will have the opportunity to:

- Deepen our understanding of Jesus. Reflect on what you believe about your faith.
- Understand that Jesus is the Messiah. Be aware of what this means for us.
- Know about the final journey Jesus made to Jerusalem. Reflect on the thoughts and feelings of Jesus.
- Know about the events of Holy Thursday. Reflect on the importance of these events for us.
- Develop a greater understanding of the crucifixion of Jesus and reflect on what it was like for Mary and his disciples.
- Deepen our understanding of the Resurrection and reflect on what the Resurrection means for us.
- Know about the Holy Week ceremonies in church. Reflect on their importance for us.

At Home:

You might like to talk to your child about how we know that Jesus is truly God and truly human.

As we are approaching Lent and Easter, you could discuss the special events of Holy Week together and reflect on their meaning. You might also like to talk about why it is so important to participate in the Holy Week services at Church.

Look at the Stations of the Cross and talk about their relevance for us today

Dates to Note:

February:

14th Ash Wednesday
18th First Sunday of Lent
25th Second Sunday of Lent

March

17th St Patrick's Day
19th St Joseph, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
24th Palm Sunday
25th The Annunciation of the Lord
28th Holy Thursday
29th Good Friday
31th Easter Sunday