

Religious Education Whole School Progression of Knowledge (Christianity)

Topic	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
God						Pupils will know that: • Christians believe God is omnipotent, omniscient and eternal. • Christians do not all agree about what God is like, but try to follow his path. • Christians believe getting to know God is like getting to know a person rather than learning information.	
Creation	Big Bible Heroes: • Pupils will listen to the story of Adam and Eve (Genesis 1)	Pupils will know that: • Christians believe that God created the universe. • The Earth and everything in it are important to God. • God has a unique relationship with human beings as their Creator and Sustainer. • Humans should care for the world because it belongs to God.		Pupils will know that: • God the Creator cares for the creation, including human beings. • As human beings are part of God's good creation, they do best when they listen to God. • The Bible shows that God wants to help people to be close to him.			Pupils will know that: • There is much debate and some controversy around the relationship between the accounts of creation in Genesis and contemporary scientific accounts. • There are many scientists throughout history and now who are Christians. • The discoveries of science make Christians wonder even more about the power and majesty of the Creator.
Fall				Pupils will know that: The Bible tells a story (in Genesis 3) about			Pupils will know that: • There is much debate and some controversy

				how humans spoiled their friendship with God (sometimes called 'the Fall').			around the relationship between the accounts of creation in Genesis and contemporary scientific accounts.
People of God	Big Bible Heroes: Pupils will explore stories from the Old Testament: • Abraham and Isaac • Moses and the Burning Bush • God sends Manna to Moses • Moses obeys • Gideon is courageous • David is chosen • David and Goliath • David and Jonathan			Pupils will know that: • The Old Testament tells the story of a particular group of people and their relationship with God. • The People of God try to live in the way God wants, following his commands and worshipping him			
Incarnation	Christmas: Pupils will learn about the main events of the nativity story.	Pupils will know that: • Christians believe that Jesus is God and that he was born as a baby in Bethlehem. • The Bible points out that his birth showed that he was extraordinary and that he came to bring good news.	Pupils will know that: • The Bible points out that his birth showed that he was extraordinary and that he came to bring good news. • Advent for Christians is a time of getting ready for Jesus' coming.	Pupils will know that: • Christians believe God is Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. • Christians believe The Father creates; he sends the Son who saves his people; the Son sends the Holy Spirit to his followers. • Christians find that understanding God is challenging; people spend their whole lives	Pupils will know that: • Jesus, the Son of God, is seen by Christians as revealing what God the Father is like. • Christians believe the Holy Spirit is God's power at work in the world and in their lives today, enabling them to follow Jesus.	Pupils will know that: • Jesus was Jewish. • Christians believe Jesus is God in the flesh. • They believe that his birth, life, death and resurrection were part of a longer plan by God to restore the relationship between humans and God. • The Old Testament talks about a 'rescuer'	Pupils will know that: • The Old Testament pieces together the story of the People of God. • Christians apply these ideas to living today by trying to serve God and to bring freedom to others. • Christians see the Christian Church as part of the ongoing story of the People of God, and try to live in a way

				learning more and more about God.		or 'anointed one' – a messiah. • Christians believe that Jesus fulfilled these expectations, and that he is the Messiah/saviour.	that attracts others to God.
Gospel	All About Jesus: • Pupils will learn stories about Jesus and make links to Christian values		Pupils will know that: • Christians believe Jesus brings good news for all people. • For Christians, this good news includes being loved by God, and being forgiven for bad things. • Christians believe Jesus is a friend to the poor and friendless. • Christians believe Jesus' teachings make people think hard about how to live and show them the right way			Pupils will know that: • The good news is not just about setting an example for good behaviour and challenging bad behaviour: it is that Jesus offers a way to heal the damage done by human sin. • Christians see that Jesus' teachings and example cut across expectations. • Christians believe that they should bring this good news to life in the world in different ways.	
Salvation	Easter: • Pupils will learn about the events of holy week, Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection.	Pupils will know that: • Easter is very important in the 'big story' of the Bible. • Christians believe Jesus rose again, giving people hope of a new life.	Pupils will know that: • Jesus showed that he was willing to forgive all people, even for putting him on the cross. • Christians believe Jesus builds a bridge between God and humans.	Pupils will know that: • Christians see Holy Week as the culmination of Jesus' earthly life, leading to his death and resurrection. • The various events of Holy Week were important in showing	Pupils will know that: • Christians today trust that Jesus really did rise from the dead, and so is still alive today. • Christians remember and celebrate Jesus' last week, death and resurrection.	Pupils will know that: • Christians read the 'big story' of the Bible as pointing out the need for God to save people. • The New Testament says that Jesus' death was somehow 'for us'. • Christians remember Jesus' sacrifice	Pupils will know that: • The Gospels give accounts of Jesus' death and resurrection. • Belief in Jesus' resurrection confirms to Christians that Jesus is the incarnate Son of God, but also that death is not the end.

				the disciples what Jesus came to earth to do.		through the service of Holy Communion. • Christians believe that Jesus calls them to sacrifice their own needs to the needs of others.	• This belief gives Christians hope for life with God, starting now and continuing in a new life (heaven).
Kingdom of God	Living God's Way: The Fruit of the Spirit • Pupils will learn about Christian beliefs about the Holy Spirit and the impact on their lives.				Pupils will know that: • Christians believe that Jesus inaugurated the 'Kingdom of God'. • Christians believe Jesus is still alive, and rules in their hearts and lives by the Holy Spirit, • Christians believe that after Jesus returned to Heaven, he sent the Holy Spirit at Pentecost to help the Church to make Jesus' invisible Kingdom visible. • Christians celebrate Pentecost as the beginning of the Church.		Pupils will know that: • Jesus told many parables about the Kingdom of God. • The Kingdom is compared to a feast where all are invited to join in. Not everyone chooses to do so. • Many Christians try to extend the Kingdom of God by challenging unjust social structures in their locality and in the world.