



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the new academic year. Below, you will find information about what your children will be learning in their Religious Education this half term.

Dates from the Church's calendar:

3rd September	St Gregory the Great	4th October	St. Francis of Assisi
4th September	St Cuthbert		
5th September	St Teresa of Calcutta	7th October	Our Lady of the Rosary
14th September	Exaltation of the Cross	9th October	Blessed John Henry Newman
21st September	St. Matthew, Apostle	10th October	St. Paulinus of York
24th September	Our Lady of Walsingham	11th October	St. John XXIII, Pope
27th September	St. Vincent de Paul	12th October	St. Wilfrid, Diocesan patron
30th September	St. Jerome	15th October	St. Teresa of Avila
1st October	St. Therese of Lisieux	17th October	St. Ignatius of Antioch
2nd October	Guardian Angels	18th October	St. Luke, Evangelist
		22nd October	St. John Paul II

Reception - God's World

**"Creation is the first and universal revelation of
God's love"**

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This half term, the children in the Reception class will be learning about God's world. Throughout the topic, the children will begin to appreciate the beauty of the world and know that God made it.



They will learn that God loves and cares for each one of us and reflect on this. They will hear about and respond to the things God created for us.

They will know that God has asked us to care for the world and think of ways in which we can help to do it.

At home

You could help your children by:

- looking at pictures of plants and animals and talking about how special creation is.
- encourage them to notice different parts of God's wonderful creation and think of ways to care for the world.

Year 1 - God's Great Plan

The children will learn about the beauty of God's world and explore and respond to the wonders of creation e.g. the seasons. They will also hear about the story of Creation from Genesis and talk about its meaning.

They will be reflecting on the knowledge that God made us because he loves us and develop their understanding that we show God we love him by looking after the world and each other. They will learn that we can spoil God's creation and that we have a responsibility to look after it, as well as hearing an appropriate part of the story of Noah and the Flood and its message of salvation and hope.

At home

You could help your children by:

- talking about how we can look after the world, e.g recycling, not dropping litter, conserving energy and how we care for plants and animals.

Year 2 - The Chosen People

The children will learn that we are chosen by God and learn that God chose certain people to lead and guide his people. They will learn that God called Abraam and that God chose Moses to be a great leader. They will also learn about how Samuel responded to God's call and find out about the story of Daniel in the lions' den.

They will have an opportunity to reflect on Abraham's trust in God and learn that we should always trust God. They will learn that God chooses unexpected people and will be given the opportunity to reflect on their own responses to God's call.

At home

You could help your children by:

- talking about the stories at home
- thinking about their responses to God's call.

Year 3 - The Christian Family

The children will develop their understanding that the Church is the family of God and know that we join this family when we receive the Sacrament of Baptism. They will learn what happens at Baptism and learn about the signs used and why they are used. They will learn about the promises made by parents and godparents at Baptism and develop their understanding of the Sacrament of Baptism.

At home

You could help your children by:

- sharing your experiences about their Baptism. Look at gifts or photographs.
- Discuss what it means to be part of God's family.

Year 4 - The Bible

The children will learn that the Bible is a story of God's love and concern for us. They will learn that the Bible is a living book through which God speaks to us and tells us about himself. They will learn that the Bible is one story told through many different books and they will learn about Moses, David and Jonah as well as learning how to find a Bible reference.

At home:

You could help your children by:

- reading some of the stories the children have covered in class.

Year 5 - Creation

The children will learn the story of Creation and the Fall in the Book of Genesis. They will learn that we are all created in the image and likeness of God and know that God calls us to care for others and all creation with love and respect. They will learn that there are times when we fail to be good stewards of creation. They will also learn that there are people who show great respect for creation and the weakest members of society.

At home:

You could help your children by:

talk to the children about how they could care for creation and the environment.

Year 6 - The Kingdom of God

The children will learn about the beginning of Jesus' public life and that he was tempted by the devil. They will know about the conditions for following Jesus and know that Jesus performs mighty works, wonders and signs. They will learn that through his parables Jesus invites people into the Kingdom of God. They will develop and understanding of the deeds, and not just words, are required by Jesus, through the example of the Parable of the Two Sons.

At home:

You could help your children by:

talking to them about their talents and how they can use them to help others.