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Year 1 Christmas Why do we give and receive gifts? (Autumn 2)

Vocabulary	Word definition
Gift	A thing [present] given to someone without payment.
Wise Men	The men who followed the star to find Jesus.
Magi	Another name for a wise man.
Jesus	The name of the man who Christians believe was the son of God.
Promise	To say that you will do something.
St Nicholas	Someone who is thought to bring presents to children.
Incarnation	God in human form. Christians believe this to be Jesus.

Key Questions - To think about

1. Why do people give and receive gifts at Christmas?
2. Why is Jesus described as a gift?
3. How does it feel when you give and receive gifts?
4. What is the best gift you have ever received?

Linked Films and Stories.

The Nativity Story by Juliet David.

The Not So Wise Men-ISBN 978 0 7459 44043

Baboushka - a Russian Legend

The Polar Express (2004)



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Year 1 - God and Creation - (Spring 1)

	Word definition
God	The creator and ruler of the universe, the supreme being.
Creation	The creation of the universe.
Genesis	Creation or a beginning.
Pollution	The introduction of harmful substances or products into the environment.
World	The earth or planet considered as a planet.
Environment	Our surroundings.
Psalms and Hymns	Sacred songs.

Key Questions - To think about

1. What do we know and believe about God the creator of the world?
2. I wonder how God felt when he had made the world?
3. How have the actions of people spoiled the world?
4. What do you feel about the wonder of creation?
5. What are your favourite things that God has created?

Linked films and Stories

The Snowman-Raymond Briggs.

Ratatouille [Disney Pixar 2007]

The world that God made. KS1 Religious Education-BBC Bitesize.

Bible References.

Genesis 1:1-2 / Hebrews 3:4 / Jeremiah 32:17



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Year 1 Easter- Celebrating New Life and New Beginnings? - (Spring 2)

Vocabulary	Word definition
Good Friday	The Friday before Easter Sunday, on which the crucifixion of Christ is remembered in the Christian Church.
Easter Sunday	The day on which the festival of Easter is celebrated.
Jesus	The man who Christians believe was the son of God.
New Life	The beginning of a journey.
Holy Week	The week before Easter, starting on Palm Sunday.
Disciples	A follower of Christ during his life, especially one of the twelve Apostles.
Mary	The mother of Jesus.
Resurrection	The rising of Christ from the dead. [Christian belief]
Tomb	The place where Jesus was laid to rest after his crucifixion, in a garden called Golgotha.
Salvation	Through Jesus sin is dealt with and forgiveness offered.

Linked Films and Stories

The Lion King- The Circle of Life.

The Very Hungry Caterpillar- Eric Carle

Art Links.

Make an Easter Garden / Create something beautiful from clay.

Key Questions - To think about?

1. What do you think the most important part of the Easter Story?
2. In what way the Easter Story about new life?
3. How do you think people feel when someone they love has died?
4. How does the life cycle of a butterfly reflect the events of Easter?
5. In what way is Easter a new beginning?

Symbols/Images



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Year 1 - Why is baptism special? (Summer 1)

Vocabulary	Word definition
Baptism	The sprinkling of water on to a person's forehead or of immersing them in water, symbolising admission to the Christian Church.
Font	A structure in church which holds the water used during baptism.
Christening	A Christian ceremony at which a baby is christened.
Vicar/Minister	A member of the clergy.
Godparents	A person who presents a child at baptism and promises to take responsibility for their religious education.
Water	The liquid that is used during the baptism ceremony.
Priest	A member of the clergy in a Catholic church.
God	The creator known as the Father, Son and Holy Spirit
Salvation	Through Jesus sin is dealt with and forgiveness offered.

Linked Films and Stories.

BBC Teach-My Life My Religion.

You tube- People of all ages being baptised

Bible References.

Matthew 3:13-16, Mark 1:9-13, Luke 3:21-23

Key Questions - To think about

- 1.What does it mean to 'belong?'
- 2.What is Baptism? Why are some people baptised?
- 3.Why is baptism special?
- 4.What is a promise? Where is it kept? How is it kept?
- 5.What makes you feel as if you are part of God's family?
6. How do people of faith welcome new babies?



