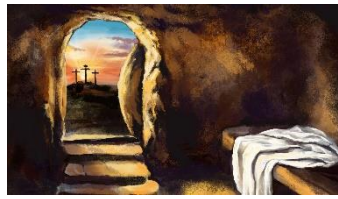


Christianity - Why does Easter matter to Christians?

The principal aim of religious education is to explore what people believe and what difference this makes to how they live, so that pupils can gain the knowledge, understanding and skills needed to handle questions raised by religion and belief, reflecting on their own ideas and ways of living.

Our Learning

We will be learning all about Easter. Why and what is important to Christians? Is it all about chocolate eggs? We will be looking at the events in the Holy Week before Easter and why they are so significant. We will look at the clear messages in the bible about forgiveness and think about what that means for us today.



Focus for the unit

What signs tell us that Easter is approaching?

What is Palm Sunday and how do Christians celebrate it?

What is happy and sad about the Easter story?

What happens in church at Easter?

What does the Easter story tell us about sadness, forgiveness, hope and heaven?

KEY VOCABULARY	MEANING
Jesus	God's son on Earth
Forgive	To stop feeling angry towards someone for something they have done
Holy Week	The week before Easter
Easter	A Christians festival celebrating the death and resurrection of Jesus
Good Friday	The day Jesus was nailed to the cross
Sin	To behave in a bad way that breaks the rules
Saviour	A person who saves someone
Salvation	Being rescued from danger
Bible	Christian holy book that tells us about Jesus and God



What do Easter eggs and hot cross buns represent?