



Unit of work:

How can I understand different Easter concepts?

Year group:

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Prior learning:

- This is the first time children will be learning about the Easter Story
- Jesus is God’s one and only son
- He was a leader and a healer
- He was loved by many people

Knowledge/skills

Easter commemorates the resurrection of **Jesus Christ**. It is the most important Christian festival, and the one celebrated with the greatest joy.

Palm Sunday:

Palm Sunday commemorates Christ's triumphant arrival in Jerusalem to the cheers of the crowd.

Maundy Thursday

Maundy Thursday is the Thursday before Easter. Christians remember it as the day of the **Last Supper**, when Jesus washed the feet of his disciples and established the ceremony known as the **Eucharist**.

Good Friday

On **Good Friday**, Jesus Christ was executed by **crucifixion**. His body was taken down from the cross, and buried in a cave. The tomb was guarded and an enormous stone was put over the entrance, so that no-one could steal the body.

Easter Sunday

On the following Sunday, some women visited the grave and found that the stone had been moved, and that the tomb was empty.

Jesus himself was seen that day, and for days afterwards by many people. His followers realised that God had raised Jesus from the dead.

https://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/christianity/holydays/holyweek_1.shtml

RE Skills to develop

- I can describe and make connections between different features of the religions and worldviews we have studied.
- I can talk about celebrations, worship, pilgrimages and rituals which mark important points in life and reflect on ideas
- I can discuss why worshippers choose to attend a particular place of worship and what it means to belong.

Vocabulary and definitions

Word	Definition
Resurrection	Means a 'raising up', or 'rising up' from the Greek word ANASTASIS. In the verb form it means 'to cause to stand or rise up; to raise from sleep or from the dead'. The Christian belief that God raised Jesus after his crucifixion as first of the dead, starting his exalted life as Christ and Lord. ... His resurrection is the guarantee that all the Christian dead will be resurrected at Christ's second coming.
Servanthood	Jesus was the ultimate servant during his life on earth because he willingly gave up his life for us. Christians honour his example of servanthood by humbly serving others in our daily lives.
Humility	Is an asset for self-improvement. By living a humble life, you recognize the areas of your life that need work. Proverbs 11:12 : When pride comes, then comes disgrace, but with the humble is wisdom. Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another, for "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."
Salvation	The saving of a person from sin or evil.
Lent	Lent, in the Christian tradition, is a period of about six weeks before Easter. It is a time in which Christians are supposed to be quiet and thoughtful, preparing themselves for Easter. They should pray a lot, give money to charities and give up some of the things they might otherwise do for pleasure.
Stations of the Cross	There are fourteen stations, each of which represents an event during Christ's Passion. Walking in the footsteps of Jesus.
Sacrifice	Is a loss or something you give up, usually for the sake of a better cause. When dealing with the Hebrew Bible (Old Testament), early Judaism, and early Christianity, and their wider cultural worlds, "sacrifice" is best defined as the ritualized slaughter of animals and the processing of their bodies in relation to supernatural forces (especially gods).
Good Friday	A Christian tradition to mark the day when Jesus Christ, the son of God, was nailed to the cross. This is often known as crucifixion of Lord Jesus. Some believe that Good Friday evolved from God Friday, which is what the day was called initially. Some believe that the good about Good Friday is that Jesus gave up his life for his people and then came back on Easter, proving that he indeed was son of God.

Artefacts and symbols



Significant people

Judas and Jesus



Pontius Pilate

