

IMPORTANT DATES THIS TERM

WELCOME MASS

(13th September)

St Anne's Church at 9.30am for parents and children from Y1-6.

HARVEST MASS

(4th October)

St Anne's Church at 9.30am for parents and children from Y1-6.

ALL SAINTS

(1st November)

We celebrate the lives of special and ordinary people who have responded to God's invitation to love.

THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOULS)

(2nd November)

Today and throughout the rest of November we pray for those who have died. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

(10th November)

The Year 6 children will lead a service for Remembrance day for all school pupils, and the parents of the Year 6 pupils.

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, UNIVERSAL KING

(24th November)

ADVENT

(Begins 1st December)

Advent means 'coming'. We think of the coming of Jesus when he was born but we also think of his promise that he would come again at the end of time. It is a time of waiting and preparing.

ADVENT MASS

(2nd December)

St Anne's Church at 9.30am for parents and children from R-6.

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

(8th December)

This feast marks the first stage of the existence of Mary, the mother of Jesus. She was 'full of grace' from the very beginning and co-operated with God throughout her life.

CHRISTMAS CAROL CONCERT

(11th December)

The Year 5 children will lead a service for Remembrance day for all school pupils, and the parents of the Year 6 pupils.

CHRISTMAS DAY, THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

(25th December)

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

(30th December)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

AUTUMN TERM 2024

COME AND SEE/TO KNOW YOU MORE CLEARLY AT HOME

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

This term the children from Year 4-6 will be studying the three themes of Domestic Church (Family), Baptism and Confirmation (Belonging) and Advent and Christmas (Loving). Each class will approach the themes through different topics. The children will also spend a week studying Hanukkah.

Nursery, Reception and Year 1-3 will be studying the new R.E.D curriculum that covers; Creation and Covenant and Prophecy and Promise.

DOMESTIC CHURCH – FAMILY/ CREATION AND COVENANT

(3rd September – 18th October)

Early Years	CREATION AND COVENANT - the whole of creation shows God love for us.
Year 1	CREATION AND COVENANT - Revelation – how do people know about God?
Year 2	CREATION AND COVENANT - the story of Noah and God's promise.
Year 3	CREATION AND COVENANT - revisit the story of creation and it happens through the Word and Spirit.
Year 4	PEOPLE - The family of God in Scripture
Year 5	OURSELVES - Created in the image and likeness of God
Year 6	LOVING - God who never stops loving

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Make a collage using family photographs of all the significant family members—grandparents, parents, children, aunts, uncles etc. who show God's love.

Write underneath it
"We show God's love to one another."

Include those who have died.
Find some of God's creations when you are out and about.

BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION - BELONGING

(30th September – 1st November inc half term)

Year 4	CALLED - Confirmation: a call to witness
Year 5	LIFE CHOICES - Marriage, commitment and service
Year 6	VOCATION AND COMMITMENT - The vocation of priesthood and religious life

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Talk to someone who has been to a Baptism and/or Confirmation about their memories of this celebration.

Hanukkah (4th – 15th November)

Pupils will study various aspects of Hanukkah for one week. Ask them what they have been learning about

ADVENT/CHRISTMAS – LOVING/PROPHECY AND PROMISE

(28th October – 20th December)

Early Years	PROPHECY AND PROMISE - The birth of Jesus and the Nativity story
Year 1	PROPHECY AND PROMISE - God showed us the full depth of his love by sending Jesus his Son.
Year 2	PROPHECY AND PROMISE - The liturgical season of Advent and the infancy of Jesus
Year 3	PROPHECY AND PROMISE - The liturgical season of Advent and the infancy of Jesus
Year 4	GIFT - God's gift of love and friendship in Jesus
Year 5	HOPE - Advent: waiting in the joyful hope for Jesus, the promised one
Year 6	EXPECTATIONS - Jesus born to show God to the world

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Discuss with the children how your family welcomes visitors to your home.

Find out about some Christian symbols for Advent e.g. Advent wreath, calendar, Jesse tree.

Use the CAFOD or Mission websites to get a religious Advent calendar.