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Thursday 2nd April 2026

Welcome to our
Easter Service:
The Biggest News
Story Ever



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WHAT'S ON AT CHURCH?

All Age Service - Palm Sunday 29 March

9.30 am @ St. Paul's School Hoddlesden, BB3 3NH

11 am @ St. Barnabas Church Darwen, BB3 2ET

Informal Communion - Maundy Thursday 2 April

7 pm @ The Reach Hoddlesden, BB3 3NN

Hour at The Cross - Good Friday 3 April

10 am @ St. Barnabas Church Darwen, BB3 2ET

A quiet service reflecting on the death of Jesus.

Easter Egg Hunt - Good Friday 3 April

12 Noon @ The Reach Hoddlesden, BB3 3NN

Easter Communion - Easter Sunday 5 April

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With Easter Garden Making for Children.



St Barnabas Church Darwen
St Paul's Hoddlesden Church



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An Egyptian Cross



The children in Year 3 have taken inspiration from an Egyptian cross. This cross, the ankh, has origins in the times of the Pharaohs, and is used by some Coptic Christians as a sign of Jesus and everlasting life made possible through the cross.

Using pencils and wax crayons, the children created detailed patterns on their crosses. They included various Egyptian symbols within their work, creating a fantastic link between their Art and History projects.



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When I think about the cross
When I think of Jesus
I'm reminded of his love –
Love that never leaves me.
Who am I that he should die,
Giving life so freely?
When I think about the cross
Help me to believe it.

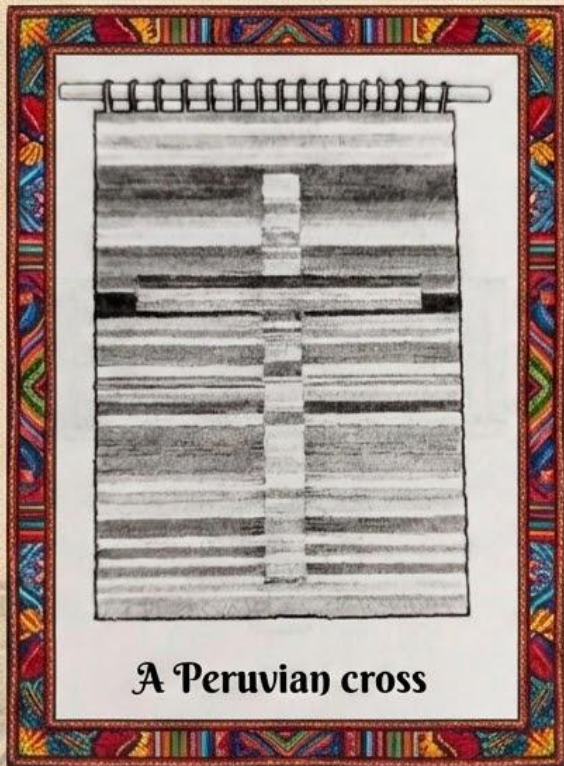


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A Peruvian Cross



Our **Year 4** class studied closely the lines and gradients of a **Peruvian cross**. Woven from 100% **sheep's wool**, this Peruvian cross is from a tapestry inspired by **Chilean arpilleras**, dolls made of rags sewn on to larger pieces of cloth.

The children used **oil pastels** in **complementary colours** to create crosses decorated with various horizontal lines. They then used **smudging techniques** to blend their lines and create a smoother gradient change.



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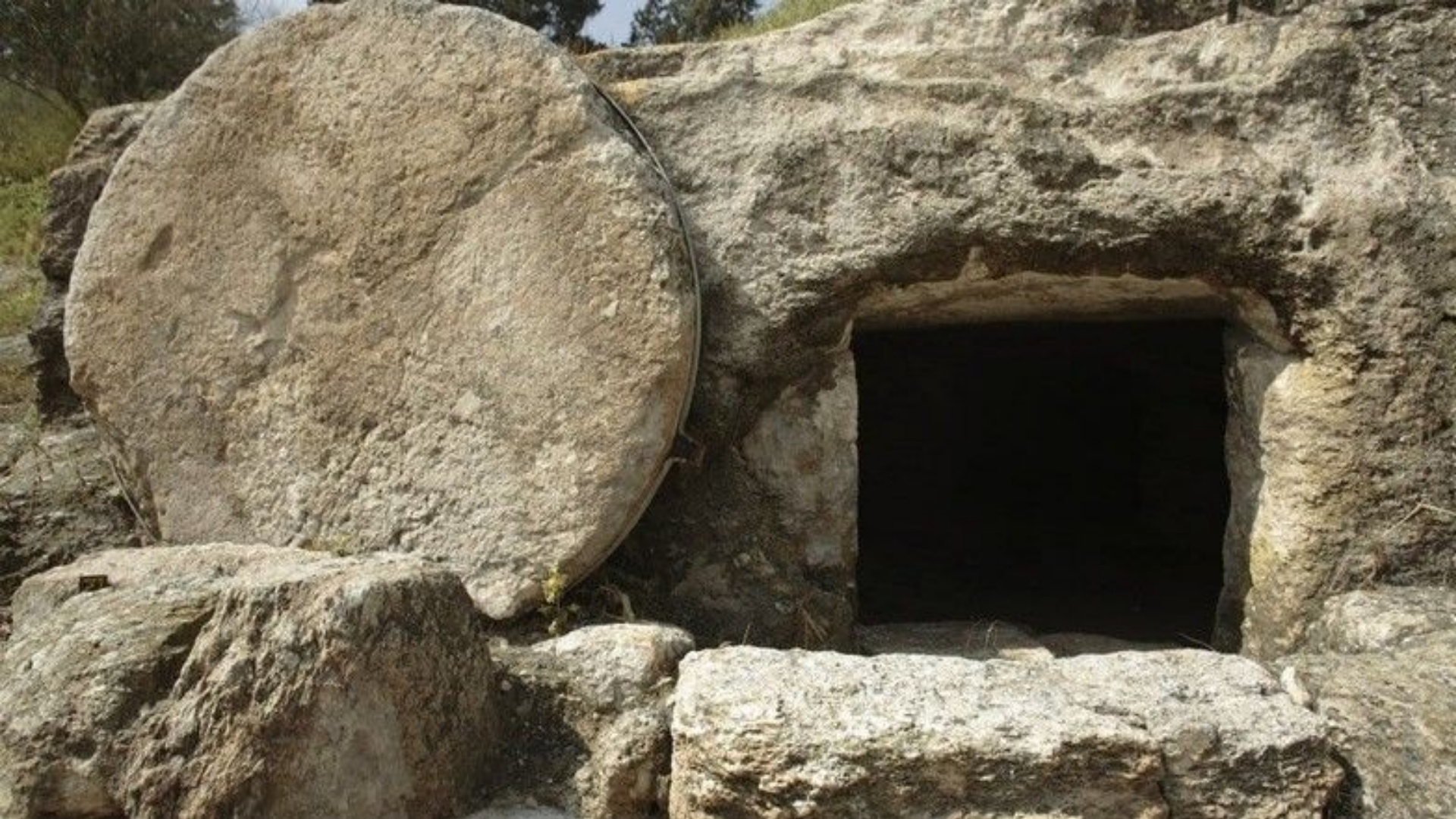
*Dance, dance, wherever you may be
I am the Lord of the Dance, said He*

*And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be
And I'll lead you all in the Dance, said He*

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A vibrant, cartoon-style illustration of a sunny day. On the left, a multi-colored rainbow arches across the sky. The sky is a clear, bright blue, dotted with several fluffy white clouds. In the top right corner, a large, bright yellow sun is partially visible. The ground is a solid green, and in the foreground, several stylized flowers with green stems and leaves are scattered. One prominent flower on the right has a yellow center and pink petals. The text is overlaid on the scene in a blue, outlined font.

Give me love in my heart, keep me serving
Give me love in my heart, I pray
Give me love in my heart, keep me serving
Keep me serving 'til the break of day



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A Maltese Cross

In Year 5, the children's artwork was inspired by a Maltese cross. In 1942, King George VI awarded the George cross to the people of Malta for the immense bravery they displayed in standing up to Germany during World War II. The four arms of the cross stand for **justice, perseverance, temperance & fortitude.**

The children used colours, shapes and lines in create their own personalised crosses. Our crosses represent each child's reflections upon the religious and historical meaning of the Maltese cross. Some children used gentle blends of colours while others chose stark contrasts.



A Maltese cross

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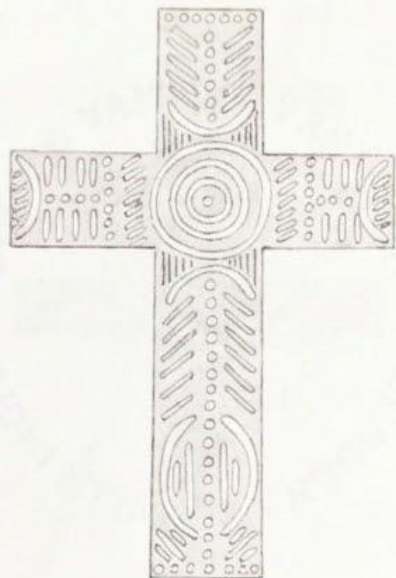


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An Australian Cross



An Australian cross

Our Year 6 children explored the intricate detail of an Australian cross. The distinctive Aboriginal design combines dots, curved lines and concentric circles (often used to represent the innate strength of the community). This cross encapsulates the spirit of Christians as members of a new creation who, together, are called to express the character and life of Jesus to the world today.

Year 6 created these Australian crosses using tissue paper, carefully crafting their Aboriginal-inspired designs while incorporating warm, earthy tones. Year 6 showed great care and creativity in layering the paper to build texture, resulting in vibrant and thoughtful pieces of artwork.



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Chocolate
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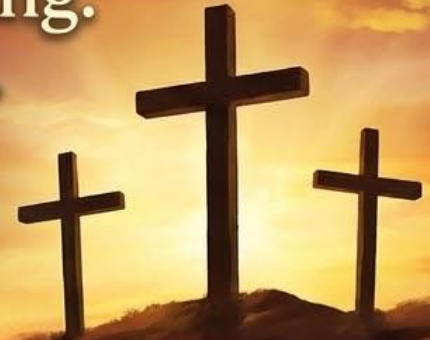
LOOKING AFTER
GOD'S GREEN EARTH



EASTER ART



God made you and God made me,
He made the world for us to see.
God loves you and long ago,
He sent his Son to tell us so.
Jesus showed us many things,
To love and share and dance and sing.
To learn and pray, to help and care.
He promised he'd always be there.
He died but then came back to life,
Let's celebrate for he's alive!
Amen



Up from the grave, let us sing and rejoice

He is alive, He is alive

Conquering death, let us sing and rejoice

He is alive today





**AMAZING
ATTENDANCE
ALERT!**



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Jesus, Strong
and Kind

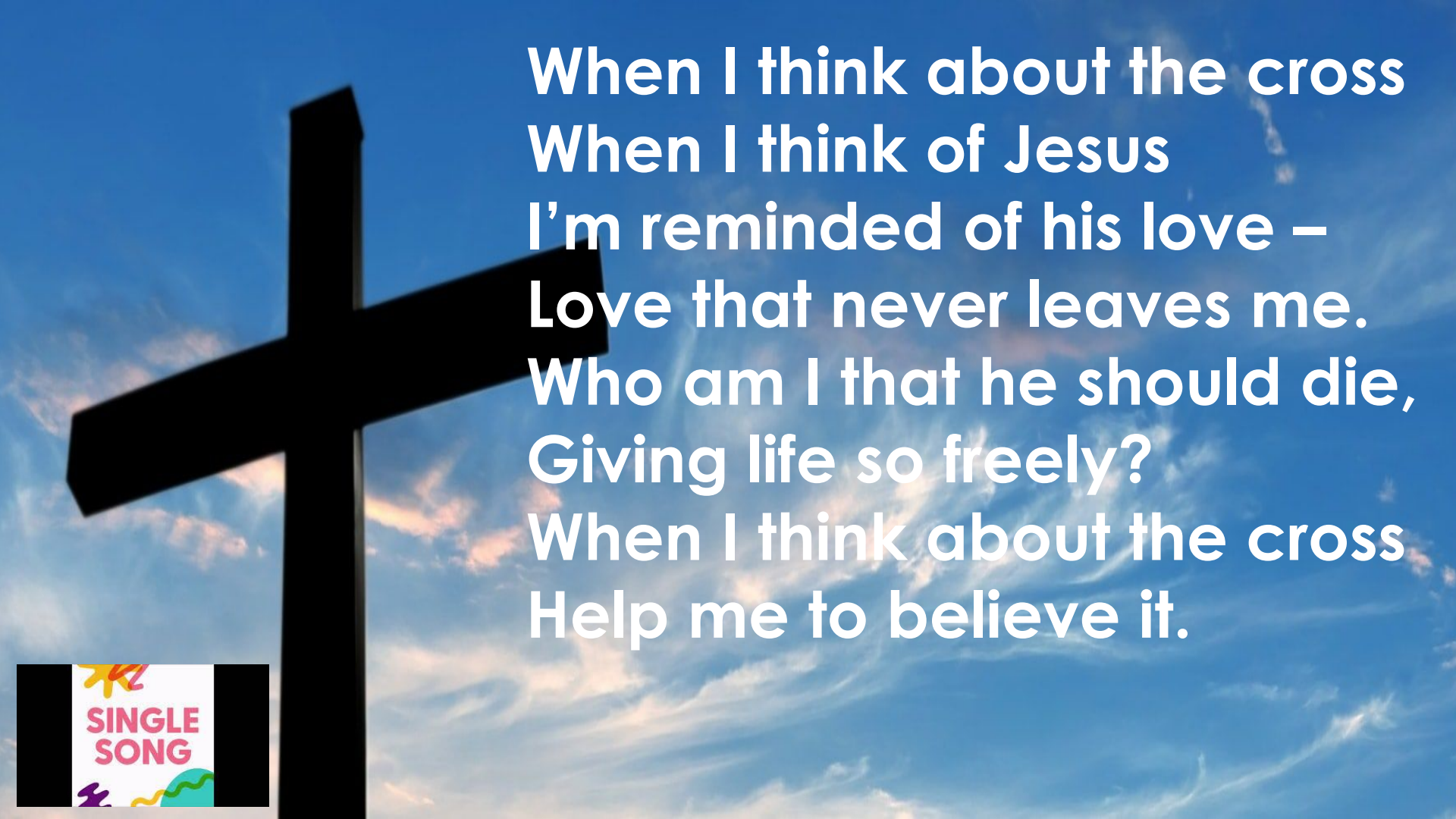
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QUALITY



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SINGLE
SONG



One mother hen sat
on 2 little eggs,
Keeping them warm
in her little egg nest,
Then one day she
moved about, And a
little voice said, as a
chick popped out;