



Religious Education

Summer 2023 Come and See At Home



Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

As we return to school after Easter, the Church is still celebrating this great event. The focus of this term's work in Religious Education is the role that the Holy Spirit plays in our lives. We will be studying the three themes of Pentecost (Serving), Reconciliation (Inter-relating) and Universal Church (World). The children will also spend one week studying Islam as part of our other faiths coverage.

PENTECOST—SERVING (17th April – 12th May)

Early Years	GOOD NEWS - Passing on the Good News of Jesus
Year 1	HOLIDAYS AND HOLYDAYS - Pentecost: feast of the Holy Spirit
Year 2	SPREAD THE WORD - Pentecost: a time to spread the Good News
Year 3	ENERGY - Gifts of the Holy Spirit
Year 4	NEW LIFE - To hear and live the Easter message
Year 5	TRANSFORMATION - Celebration of the Spirit's transforming power
Year 6	WITNESSES - The Holy Spirit enables people to become witnesses

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Talk about good news in your family and how you shared it. Ask your child to tell you the story of Pentecost and the work of the Holy Spirit.

RECONCILIATION—INTER-RELATING (15th May – 16th June)

Early Years	FRIENDS - Friends of Jesus
Year 1	BEING SORRY - God helps us choose well
Year 2	RULES - Reasons for rules in the Christian family
Year 3	CHOICES - Importance of examination of conscience
Year 4	BUILDING BRIDGES - Admitting wrong, being reconciled with God and each other
Year 5	FREEDOM & RESPONSIBILITY - Commandments enable Christians to be free & responsible
Year 6	HEALING - Sacrament of the Sick

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Talk together about times when you have forgiven and been forgiven. Discuss the importance of saying sorry. Look for opportunities for forgiveness and reconciliation in the day-to-day life of the family.

ISLAM (19th June – 23th June)

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

UNIVERSAL CHURCH—WORLD (26th June – 27th July)

Early Years	OUR WORLD - God's wonderful world
Year 1	NEIGHBOURS - Neighbours share God's world
Year 2	TREASURES - God's treasure; the world
Year 3	SPECIAL PLACES - Holy places for Jesus and the Christian community
Year 4	GOD'S PEOPLE - Different saints show people what God is like
Year 5	STEWARDSHIP - The Church is called to the stewardship of Creation
Year 6	COMMON GOOD - Work of the worldwide Christian family

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Together, look through a family scrapbook or photograph album of a visit to a place that is special for your family. Look at a globe or an atlas. Find a special place and pray for the people of that country. Discuss how we can look after our world and support our neighbours, near and far.

What we got up to last term:

R.E. Monitors – CAFOD

A massive well done to Mrs Hall and our R.E. monitors this term for their tireless effort in encouraging staff and pupils to think about those less fortunate than ourselves through the Walk Against Hunger campaign. The R.E. monitors set the school a challenge to complete as many steps as possible around the playground to raise money. Whilst having a lot of fun competing against the other classes' pupils managed to raise a huge £178.50!

A colorful illustration for a charity event. It shows various people engaged in activities: a person running, a person pushing a shopping cart, a person holding a sign that says 'SPONSOR ME!', a person on a bicycle, and a person holding a sign that says 'CHARITY EVENT'. There are also images of money (pounds and dollars) and a question mark. The text on the poster reads: 'CAFOD Catholic Agency for Overseas Development', 'St Ursula's Catholic Primary School has raised the sum of £178.50 to help people build a brighter future through CAFOD's projects around the world.', and 'THANK YOU! Your support will reach the most vulnerable people around the world.'

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Pupil Chaplains – Lenten Assembly

This term the pupil chaplains has been working incredibly hard to develop Lenten assemblies which they delivered to the whole school. The pupils made the PowerPoints, chose the readings and hymns and even included challenges for our pupils to undertake.



Important dates this term

The month of May is dedicated to Our Lady.

THE CROWNING OF MARY
Will be celebrated by Year 3 with Father Tam.

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD
(18 May) After his Resurrection, Jesus appeared to his disciples over a period of forty days. Ascension Day is when we celebrate Jesus' return to his Father in Heaven.

PENTECOST SUNDAY
(28 May) This is the day we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit and the birthday of the Church.

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY
(4 June) Today we celebrate our belief in the Trinity, the three persons of God: The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

RSE WEEK – SPIRITUAL STRAND
(26th – 30th June) The third and final strand of A Journey in Love, focusing on our Spiritual Journey of Love through Christ.

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST
(8th June) On this feast, we give thanks to God for the gift of Jesus in the form of bread and wine.

THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS
(16th June) On this day, we remember how much Jesus loves us all.

SS. PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES
(29 June) We celebrate the lives of these important saints who helped establish the Christian Church.

Wishing you a happy and holy Summer term. Thank you for your continued support throughout the year.

Miss Gilligan

R.E. Coordinator

