R.E. Newsletter for Parents

Autumn Term (First Half)

In all RE topics throughout the year our children will be learning about their Catholic Faith and how this is reflected in the way they live their lives and treat others. In the boxes below we have identified the topics and expected learning for this half term.

Reception Class

Topic - God's World

* Know that God loves and cares for each one of us and reflect on this

* Hear about and respond to the things God created for us

* Know that God has asked us to care for the world and think of ways in which we can help to do this

* Know that God made each one of us different and special and reflect on this

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Year 1

Topic – God's Great Plan

*Be aware of the beauty of God's world and explore and respond to the wonders of creation eg the seasons

*Hear about the story of Creation from Genesis and talk about its meaning

*Know that God made us because He loves us but the first people, Adam and Eve, made some wrong choices. Think about how we can show our love for God.

*Be aware that we have a responsibility to look after God's world. Think of ways we can care for God's world.

*Hear an appropriate part of the story of Noah and the Flood. Think about its promise and hope.

Year 2

Topic – Chosen People

*Know that we are chosen and gifted by God and that we can thank God for this by helping others

*Know why God chose Abraham and that Abraham trusted God to guide him; reflect on how we trust God

*Know that God chose Moses to help his people and that we are also chosen to help others

*Understand that Daniel had to be brave and have faith because he was chosen

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Special days this term

- Mass for the Feast of St Vincent 27th September at 9.30am at OLHC. Please join us if you can
- October is the month of the Rosary
- 11th October – Year 6 attend 9.30 Mass at OLHC

Please remember to read Wednesday Word each week with your child.

Year 3

Topic – The Christian Family

*Know that we all belong to a family. Think about how we can help our family.

*Know what it means to belong to the family of the Church. Reflect on how the family of the Church helps us.

*Know that we join this family when we receive the Sacrament of Baptism. Think about what this Sacrament does for us.

*Understand what happens when we receive the Sacrament of Baptism. Reflect on the meaning of the Sacrament of Baptism.

*Know about some of the signs and symbols used in the Sacrament of Baptism. Reflect on why they are used.

*Know the promises made by parents and Godparents at Baptism. Think about the importance of keeping promises.

Year 5

Topic – Gifts from God

*Know the story of Creation and the Fall in Genesis

* Know that God calls us to care for each other and all creation with love and respect.

*Know about people who show great respect for the weakest members of society and for creation

*Understand that we are all created in the image and likeness of God.

*Appreciate how we can show respect for ourselves, others and for God.

*Reflect on times we have failed to show respect for the gifts and talents that God has given each of us and on the way we can use and misuse these gifts.

Year 4

Topic – The Bible

*Know that the Bible is the story of God's love and concern for us, that it is a living book through which God speaks to us

*Know that God is telling us about Himself in the Bible and that the Bible is one story told through different books

*Know how to find a Bible reference and some of the stories in the Bible

*Explore how the Bible helps us to pray

*Experience how God speaks to us through the Bible and participate in a Bible service

*Experience a guided meditation on a text from the Bible

Year 6

Topic – The Kingdom of God

*Reflect on what the Kingdom of God is like

*Reflect on the importance of responding to the invitation to the Kingdom

*Know that everyone is called to enter the Kingdom and reflect on our response

*Reflect on the words and deeds necessary to show commitment to the Kingdom

*Know that Jesus' miracles signalled the beginning of the Kingdom and show us what God is like