

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

SPRING TERM 2018

COME AND SEE AT HOME

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

This term we will be studying the three themes of Local Church (Community), Eucharist (Relating) and Lent/Easter (Giving). Each class will approach the themes through different topics.

LOCAL CHURCH - COMMUNITY

Reception	CELEBRATING - People celebrate in Church
Year 1/2	SPECIAL PEOPLE - People in the parish family
Year 3/4	JOURNEYS - Christian family's journey with Christ
Year 5/6	MISSION - Continuing Jesus' mission in diocese (ecumenism)

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Explore the Diocesan website, looking at the number of churches, and finding out about our bishop.
Read Bible stories together or encourage older children to read a child's Bible.

EUCCHARIST - RELATING

Reception	GATHERING - Parish family gathers to celebrate Eucharist
Year 1/2	MEALS - Mass, Jesus' special meal
Year 3/4	LISTENING & SHARING - Jesus gives himself to us
Year 5/6	MEMORIAL SACRIFICE - Eucharist as the living memorial of Christ's sacrifice

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Look through the family photograph album to help the children remember important events and special people in their lives.
Discuss how we come together for special celebrations.

LENT/EASTER - GIVING

Reception	GROWING - Looking forward to Easter
Year 1/2	CHANGE - Lent: a time for change
Year 3/4	GIVING ALL - Lent: remembering Jesus' total giving
Year 5/6	SACRIFICE - Lent: a time of aligning with the sacrifice made by Jesus

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

As a family talk about how you are going to practice self-control and self-giving for the rest of the season of Lent. You may decide to give up biscuits or cakes and donate the money to a charity. If you have an older child provide him/her with an opportunity to take part in The Stations of the Cross. Ask your child/ren how the school is focusing on Lent and self-giving.

IMPORTANT DATES THIS TERM

MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

1 January

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

7 January

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

8 January

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

2 February

ASH WEDNESDAY

14 February

ST DAVID, BISHOP, PATRON OF WALES

1 March

ST JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

19 March

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

25 March

MAUNDY THURSDAY

29 March

GOOD FRIDAY

30 March

EASTER SUNDAY

1 April

THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

9 April (moved from 25 March)