



# R.E. NEWSLETTER FOR PARENTS



## Revised scheme of work

This term your child(ren) will be studying Ends of the Earth in Religious Education:

### EYFS

**What happens at Pentecost?**

**Subsidiary:** How do we see Pentecost in the Bible?

**How do Catholics see Pentecost today?**

**Key Vocabulary:** Holy Spirit, Pentecost

In this unit of work, EYFS children will begin by learning about the story of Jesus' ascension. They will develop an understanding that, after his resurrection, Jesus returned to his father. Building on this, children will learn how Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to the disciples at Pentecost and how the Holy Spirit continues to guide and help us in our lives today.

Children will play games to explore how, following Pentecost, the disciples spread the Good News and taught others about Jesus.

#### Scripture to read at home:

- The Ascension Acts 1: 6 – 11
- Pentecost Acts 2: 1 – 4

### YEAR ONE

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**Key Vocabulary:** Holy Spirit, Pentecost

In Year 1, children will begin by reflecting on the very special gift God gave us – Jesus. They will recognise that Jesus' whole life, death and resurrection was an expression of God's love for us. Children will learn that, after his resurrection, Jesus ascended to heaven and – in his place – sent the Holy Spirit as a helper and guide for his disciples then and for us today. By exploring the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation, children will understand the ways in which we receive the Holy Spirit. Finally, they will reflect on the mission of the Church today in continuing the work of the apostles – the ones who were sent out.

#### Scripture to read at home:

- The Angel's Message Luke 24: 1 – 8
- The Ascension Acts 1: 1 – 11
- Pentecost Acts 2: 1 – 4

### YEAR THREE

**What happens at Pentecost?**

**Subsidiary:** How do we see Pentecost in the Bible?

**How do Catholics see Pentecost today?**

**Key Vocabulary:** Holy Spirit, Pentecost

In Branch 5, Year 3 children will begin by reflecting on the story of The Road to Emmaus and how it links to the pattern of mass today.

Moving on, children will learn about the story of Jesus' ascension and the impact this had on Jesus' followers then and how this continues today. They will build an understanding that in the book of Acts, we see the Spirit of God at work in a variety of people who show us what it means to follow Christ. They will consider what we can learn from the lives of the early Christians and how we can follow their example in our lives today.

#### Scripture to read at home:

- The Road to Emmaus Luke 24: 13 – 35
- The Ascension Acts 1: 6 – 11
- After The Ascension Acts 1: 12 – 24

### YEAR TWO

**What happens at Pentecost?**

**Subsidiary:** How do we see Pentecost in the Bible?

**How do Catholics see Pentecost today?**

**Key Vocabulary:** Holy Spirit, Pentecost

In Year 2, children will continue exploring their core theme of Baptism and new life in Christ by learning about the life of Paul. They will recognise how – with the help of the Holy Spirit – he changed and found a new way of living.

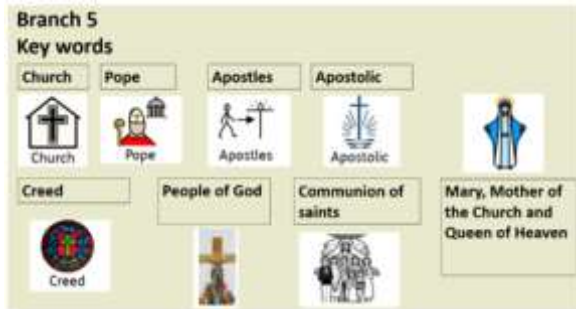
Building on this, they will learn the story of Pentecost and how the Holy Spirit came to the disciples. By focusing on Peter, they will recognise how the Holy Spirit helps us to open our hearts to God.

Finally, children will identify the Fruits of the Holy Spirit and will consider how they can live these out in their own lives.

#### Scripture to read at home:

- Pentecost Acts 2: 1 – 4
- Fruits of the Spirit Gal 5: 22 – 23

## YEAR FOUR



In Year 4, Branch 5 of our RE work provides children with an opportunity to recall and build on their knowledge of Saint Peter. Through exploration of stories such as The Shore of Lake Tiberias, children will find out what happened to Saint Peter after the resurrection and how he came to be regarded as the first leader of the Catholic Church.

They will recognise that the Pope is the successor to Saint Peter and continues the work of Jesus today by fulfilling the teaching, 'feed my sheep'. In addition, they will develop an understanding of the Church as 'One, Holy and Apostolic'.

Finally, children will have the opportunity to reflect on the importance of Mary by responding to different pieces of art work and finding out how May – the month of Mary – is celebrated around the world.

### Scripture to read at home:

- The Empty Tomb John 20: 1 – 10
- The Shore of Lake Tiberias John 21: 1 – 18

## YEAR FIVE



In Year 5, Branch 5 of our RE work provides children with an opportunity to develop an understanding of the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. They will reflect on how the mystery of the Holy Trinity and the role of the Holy Spirit in the life of Jesus.

They will develop their understanding of prayer and the Glorious Mysteries by recognising that the Rosary is a prayerful reflection on the life of Christ.

In this branch, children will also have an opportunity to learn about the Sacrament of Confirmation. They will identify the religious actions and signs associated with the sacrament and will recognise the special significance of the use of the oil of chrism in marking our total belonging to Christ.

### Scripture to read at home:

- The Gifts of the Holy Spirit 1 Cor 12: 4 – 11
- Pentecost Acts 2: 1 – 18
- Links to Confirmation Isaiah 11: 2 – 3

## YEAR SIX



In Year 6, Branch 5 of our RE work provides children with an opportunity to develop an understanding of the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. They will reflect on how the mystery of the Holy Trinity and the role of the Holy Spirit in the life of Jesus.

They will develop their understanding of prayer and the Glorious Mysteries by recognising that the Rosary is a prayerful reflection on the life of Christ.

In this branch, children will also have an opportunity to learn about the Sacrament of Confirmation. They will identify the religious actions and signs associated with the sacrament and will recognise the special significance of the use of the oil of chrism in marking our total belonging to Christ.

### Scripture to read at home:

- The Gifts of the Holy Spirit 1 Cor 12: 4 – 11
- Pentecost Acts 2: 1 – 18
- Links to Confirmation Isaiah 11: 2 – 3

## EVENTS AND SCHOOL CELEBRATIONS

Resurrection Mass –  
17<sup>th</sup> April at 9:15am all welcome

May Procession - 1<sup>st</sup> May

Ascension Mass - 14<sup>th</sup> May

FHC Mass – tbc

St Peter and Paul - 29<sup>th</sup> June

End of year Mass – tbc

Details for each event will be sent out beforehand.