

Year 4- Autumn 2 RE Knowledge Organiser

Topic:

Special People, Special Places: The role of the Shepherds in the Christmas Story

Links to other year groups: Yr 1 The Story of Christmas Yr 3 The role of the Angels in the Christmas Story Yr 5 The True Meaning of Christmas. Yr 6 Christmas around the world

ENQUIRY QUESTION: How might the shepherds in the Christmas story have felt and why may they have decided to undertake to journey to Bethlehem?

Key Vocabulary:

Celebration/Festival

Frankincense

Gold

Myrrh

Jesus

Love

Forgiveness

Angel Gabriel

Shepherds

Kings

Mary

Joseph

Star of Bethlehem

Navigation

Manger

Worship

Faith/Belief

Pray

Respect

Similarities

Differences

Timeline-when did this happen?

Jesus was born just over 2000 years ago. The Nativity Story states he was born in a stable in Bethlehem.

The Christian religion began following the crucifixion of Jesus in the 1st century AD.

Essential Knowledge:

By the end of this theme pupils will know:

- To know the key points of the Christmas Story.
- To know why the shepherds were chosen and to consider how the shepherds may have reacted to the angel visitation.
- To know what the role of a shepherd might involve and to understand what their lives may have been like in Biblical times.

Religious stories covered:

The Nativity Story

SMSC Links:

Spiritual – Understand the role that the shepherds played in the Nativity

Moral – Understand why the Shepherds were selected to receive the news that the Baby Jesus had been born

Social- Understand society's attitudes towards shepherds and people of perceived lowly positions in society at the time.

Cultural – Understand that Christians believe this story and we should respect their right to believe in their perception of the truth, regardless of our own cultures, religions and beliefs.

Linked British Values:

Mutual Respect and Tolerance
(comparing and learning about different beliefs)

Individual Liberty (right to believe in what you want)



Key Symbols/People (including those relevant to individual stories)

Jesus

The Nativity Story–(Mary, Joseph, Wisemen, Shepherds, Angels, Angel Gabriel), Star of Bethlehem

Special Book/Scriptures

The Bible



Place(s) of Worship / How people worship:

Church



Links to Barbara Wintergill's Big Ideas

Words and Beyond
A Good Life
Making Sense of Life's Experiences
Influence and Power