



Our Lady and St Rose of Lima Catholic Primary School - Religious Education

Learning, living, loving together in Christ

Learning & Growing as the People of God – Unit and assessment overview



Year 4	Aim	Where this unit fits in	Assessment - At the end of this unit:			Key vocabulary	
			Children working towards school expectations for the year group will...	Children working at school expectations for the year group will...	Children working at greater depth within school expectations for the year group will...		
1	4A: CREATION & THE STORY OF ABRAHAM TO JOSEPH	In this unit the children will hear and learn about some important stories from the Book of Genesis. They will explore some important images of God found in these stories and consider what it mean for human beings to be made in the image and likeness of God.	This unit builds on lots of previous work on the creation story in Key Stage 1 and some significant work on the Old Testament in Year 2.	Know parts of the stories studied in this unit and will recognise that human beings are made in the image and likeness of God.	Know the stories of creation, Abraham and Isaac, Jacob and Joseph from the Old Testament. They will understand from the story of creation that human beings are made in God's image and likeness and that this needs to be valued and respected in other people. They will be able to identify how God called and protected both Abraham and Isaac.	Be able to retell with confidence the stories studied in this unit. They will be able to consider lots of ways in which people can respect the image and likeness of God in other people. They will be able to ask important questions about why Abram trusted God and followed his commands.	Creation, image and likeness, Old Testament, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph, jealousy, sacrifice, reconciliation.
2	4B: JESUS TEACHES US HOW TO PRAY	In this unit the children will learn about the prayer life of Jesus as he grew up in the Jewish faith. The children will be introduced to some prayers from the Old Testament and they will consider the importance Jesus attached to prayer. The children will study the Our Father, the prayer of the Rosary and some other forms of prayer as part of this unit.	The unit builds upon previous work in Year 2 and Year 3 when children learnt about different forms of prayer.	Know that it was important for Jesus to pray to God his Father. They will be able to identify some reasons why Christians pray and will have a limited knowledge of some traditional prayers of the Church.	Know that Jesus prayed to the Father and they will be able to identify some of the prayers that he learnt growing up in the Jewish faith. They will be able to explain why it is important to call and to pray to God the Father. They will know some of the traditional prayers of the Church including the prayer of the Rosary.	Have a greater knowledge and understanding of the religious customs and practices that Jesus grew up with. They will be able to explain the meaning of Jesus' prayer to the Father and recognise why different forms of prayer are important to Christians.	Jew, synagogue, Shema, Psalms, prayer, silence, Our Father, Glory to God, praise, thanks, listening, Mary, rosary.
3	4C: ADVENT	In this unit of work the children will learn about the ancestors of Jesus and that he was descended from the House of David. Through this work the children will be able to place the story of the first coming of Jesus into an historical context.	This unit builds on previous work in Year 2 and in Year 3 about the ancestors of Jesus and those who waited for him to come.	Know some facts about a few of the ancestors of Jesus. They will recognise that the Jesse Tree is telling the story of the family tree of Jesus.	Know that Jesus was descended from the House of David. They will know some stories about some of Jesus' ancestors and will be able to recognise how important their relationship with God was to them. Children will be able to place some of the characters into an historical sequence and will identify some important symbols for these different people as featured on the Jesse Tree.	Know some reasons why we recall the ancestors of Jesus during Advent. They will be able to recall in detail some stories of Jesus' family and their relationship with God.	Family tree, Jesse Tree, ancestors, Names of Jesus' ancestors.
4	4D: CHRISTMAS	In this unit of work the children will study the role of angels in the story of Christmas. They will learn about Christians being messengers of Christ's Good News in the world today and how the Church celebrates the Feast of Christmas.	This unit builds on previous work in Year 3 when the story of the angels and the shepherds was the focus for Christmas.	Identify some parts of the stories associated with the message of the angels. They will recognise that they played an important role in announcing the coming of Christ.	Know about the announcements made by angels in the stories associated with the birth of John the Baptist and the birth of Jesus. They will understand that angels are heralds of important messages and will be able to consider ways in which Christians today are heralds of the message of Christ. They will know and be able to explain some of the Church's customs for celebrating the birth of Christ.	Know that the messages of the angels in the stories studied changed the lives of those who heard them. They will be able to recognise links between the message of the birth of John the Baptist and the message of the birth of Jesus. The children will understand some reasons why it is important for Christians to be messengers of Christ today. They will be able to explain the impact that some Christians have had upon the world because of the message of Christ they have lived and proclaimed.	Angel, messengers, Zechariah, John the Baptist, angel Gabriel, crib, symbols, Jesse tree.
5	4E: JESUS: LIGHT OF THE WORLD AND BELOVED SON	In this unit the children study some important stories about the life of Jesus and the revelation of his presence in the world. They will also learn about some of the symbols of Baptism and their association with belonging to the Family of God.	This unit builds on previous work on Baptism in Year 3 and previous study of some of these stories in Year 2.	Know that Christ is the Light of the World and the Son of God through their study of the stories of the Baptism and Presentation of Jesus. They will identify different symbols from the Baptismal liturgy and be able to explain the meaning of some of them.	Know the stories of the Baptism, Presentation and Transfiguration of Jesus. They will understand that at these events Christ is revealed as the Light of the World and the Beloved Son of God. They will know that through Baptism, Christians become the Children of God and will identify symbols from the Baptismal liturgy that express this belief.	Have a greater understanding of the titles given to Jesus in the stories studied in this unit. They will be able to provide examples of how Christ is like a light for his followers today. The children will be able to ask questions about the meaning and purpose of Baptism.	Baptism, Presentation, Transfiguration, Beloved Son, Light of the World, Oil of Chrism, Baptismal Candle, White Garment.
6	4F: OLD TESTAMENT: MOSES – KING DAVID	In this unit the children will study some important stories about Moses and God's relationship with the people of Israel. They will also learn about the life of King David. Through this unit children will be introduced to some images of God associated with these stories and also some important religious themes such as prayer and vocation which arise from this study.	The unit builds on previous work in Year 4 and on some work on the Old Testament in Year 2.	Know that God chose and called Moses and David. They will identify the Psalms as a special form of prayer and understand that God shows care for his people. They will know that the Oil of Chrism is a special symbol used in the Sacraments of the Church.	Know and be able to recall in words, actions and writing the stories studied in this unit. They will understand that God chose and called Moses and David for special tasks. They will recognise that God protected his people and that in the Psalms of David we find images of God caring for and protecting his people. They will understand that through the anointing with the Oil of Chrism in the Sacraments, Christians celebrate and respond to God's call in their lives today.	Have a greater understanding of what it means to be called and chosen by God from the stories studied. They will be able to explain in more detail the images of God as protector and shepherd found in these Scripture stories. Children will know that to be anointed means to be called and chosen by God. They will be able to identify this in some of the Sacraments of the Church.	Moses, Joshua, King David, Pharaoh, Egypt, plagues, Pentateuch, Torah, vocation, Jesse, David, anointing, Oil of Chrism, Psalm, shepherd.
7	4G: LENT: LIVING AS FOLLOWERS OF JESUS TODAY	In this unit the children will explore some of the customs and practices associated with the celebration of the Season of Lent. Through the life and teaching of Christ they will learn about prayer, fasting and almsgiving and the forgiveness that God offers to those who believe in him.	This unit builds on work in Year 2 and Year 3 about the Season of Lent. It also builds on the children's study of the Sacrament of Reconciliation in Year 3.	Know some of the teaching of Jesus about forgiveness. They will know that this is celebrated in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. They will identify some customs and practices of Christians for the season of Lent and understand that the Beatitudes provide a guide for living.	Know some reasons associated with the Church's practice of prayer, fasting and almsgiving during the season of Lent. They will know some of Jesus' teaching about forgiveness and will understand that this is a gift God freely gives. They will know that the Sacrament of Reconciliation is a celebration of this gift. The children will know that Christians are called to follow Christ by the way they live their lives. They will understand that the Beatitudes of Jesus provide a guide for this.	Understand why Lent is a special season to fast, pray and to give alms to others. They will be able to give lots of examples of people living by the Beatitudes of Jesus today. The Children will also understand some reasons why Christians seek the forgiveness of God in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.	Temptation, prayer, fasting, almsgiving, Pharisee, Parable, forgiveness, Sacrament, Reconciliation, Yom Kippur, disciples, Beatitudes.
8	4H: HOLY WEEK	This unit provides the children with an opportunity to develop their knowledge and understanding of the story of Christ's passion and death. They will be given opportunities to reflect upon the circumstances and reasons for his death.	This unit builds on previous work in Key Stage 1 and Year 3 about Holy Week.	Have some knowledge and understanding of the story of Christ's suffering and death.	Have a good knowledge of the story of Holy Week and will be able to explain some reasons for the death of Jesus.	Be able to ask questions about why Christ had to die. They will identify some of the reasons why some people wanted him to be killed.	Passion, Pilate, trial, evidence, witness, suffering, death.
9	4I: EASTER	In this unit the children will be introduced to accounts of the Resurrection appearances of Christ in the four Gospel. They will learn about the different reactions of people to the news that Christ was alive. In this unit the children will study the story of the Ascension and will learn about Christian belief in the presence of Christ in the world today.	This unit builds on previous study of the resurrection in Year 3 when the children explore the Story of Emmaus and the story of Breakfast at the Shore.	Be able to recall parts of the Resurrection story from some of the Gospels.	Know that the four Gospels contain accounts of the Resurrection of Christ. They will be able to understand the transforming effect this had upon the disciples. The children will know that the Ascension reminds Christians of the promise of Christ to remain always with them.	Have a greater understanding of the importance of the Resurrection for Christians today and of their belief in the presence of Christ in the Church and in their lives.	Gospel, Easter, Thomas, disciple, Mary Magdalene, Ascension.
10	4J: PENTECOST	In this unit the children will study the story of Pentecost and identify the effects that it had upon the disciples. They will learn about the missionary activity of the Apostles and some prayers of the Holy Spirit.	This unit builds on previous work in Year 3 when the children studied the Story of Pentecost in the Acts of the Apostles.	Know parts of the story of Pentecost and understand that Christians believe that the Holy Spirit works in their lives today.	Know the story of Pentecost from the Acts of the Apostles. They will understand that the gift of the Holy Spirit transformed the lives of the Apostles and enabled them to proclaim the Good News. They will be able to identify the presence of the Holy Spirit in some of the Sacraments of the Church.	Know about the presence and activity of the Holy Spirit in the lives of the Apostles and saints of the Church. They will understand why the gift of the Holy Spirit is given in the Sacraments that Christians receive.	Pentecost, Holy Spirit, Acts of the Apostles, languages, Holy Orders, Oil of Chrism, Baptism, Confirmation.
11	4K: SHARING IN THE LIFE OF CHRIST: THE CHURCH AS A COMMUNITY	In this unit the children learn about the Universal Church established on the original teaching of the Apostles. They will reflect upon the Eucharist as the Sacrament which celebrates the Church's Unity. They will also be given opportunities to find out about religious customs from around the world.	This unit builds on previous work in Year 3 when the children considered the importance of belonging to the Church.	Know that Catholic Christians who live throughout the world celebrate the Eucharist. They will know about some beliefs of all Christians.	Know that the Catholic Church is spread throughout the world. They will understand that the Eucharist celebrates the unity of God's People throughout the world. They will be able to explain some beliefs of the Universal Church and religious customs from different parts of the world.	Have a greater knowledge and understanding of some images of the Church. They will be able to express in their own words some of the beliefs of the Church and explain why the Eucharist is so important to the life of the Church.	Universal Church, Catholic, Family of God, People of God, Body of Christ, Rome, Pope, Eucharist, Eucharistic Prayer, Memorial Acclamation, Doxology.
12	4L: SPECIAL ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES	In this unit the children will learn about the different tasks and responsibilities given to people in the Church. This will help them to develop their understanding of the Church as the Body of Christ made up of many different people.	This unit builds on the Pentecost unit and on previous work in Key Stage 1 about the Church. It also serves as preparation for further work on the life of the Church in Year 5 and Year 6.	Know about some important roles and responsibilities in the life of the Church.	Know that different people have different responsibilities in the life of the Church. They will understand the special role played by priests and religious, but will be equally aware that every member of the Church has a special role and responsibility as they try to follow Christ.	Know that different people have different responsibilities in the life of the Church. They will understand the special role played by priests and religious, but will be equally aware that every member of the Church has a special role and responsibility as they try to follow Christ.	Good News, Body of Christ, vocation, responsibility, religious, priest, Eucharistic Minister, sick, SVP.