



Religious Education Parent Newsletter

From September 2025 all children will be following the new RE curriculum, 'To know You more clearly'.



Religious Education Directory

Branches

There are six branches in 'To know You More Clearly' – one per half term.

The branches are:

Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Creation and Covenant	Prophecy and Promise	Galilee to Jerusalem	Desert to Garden	To the ends of the Earth	Dialogue and Encounter

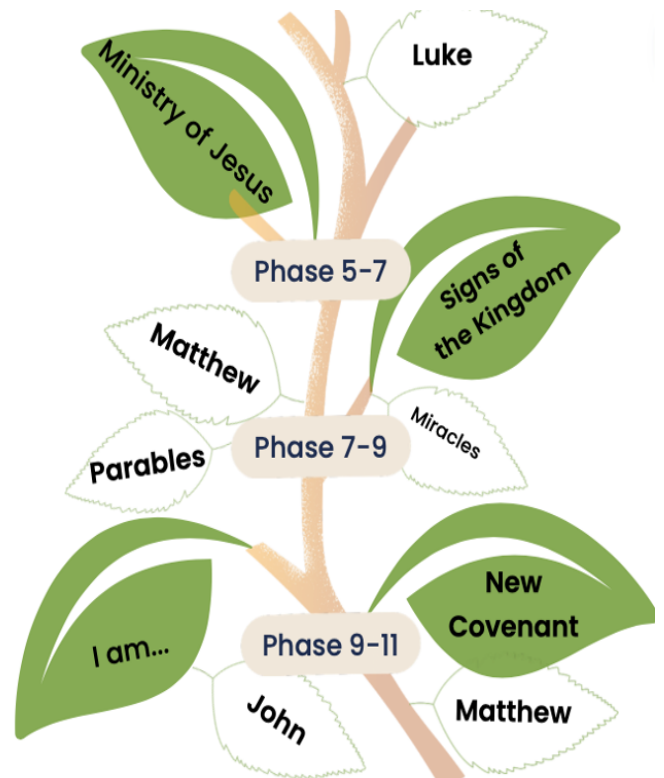
Spring 1: Galilee to Jerusalem

In this branch, pupils will experience the ministry of Jesus, the Word of God. They will learn about the life of Jesus and his revelation of the Kingdom of God through parables, encounters, miracles, and teachings. They will learn about the call of the disciples and the nature of being a follower of Jesus.

Branch 3



Galilee
to
Jerusalem
Season of Christmas
Ordinary time



	Hear	Ways in which you can support learning at home
	<i>The children will listen to and learn from the following sacred tradition (through magisterial texts, the teachings of the Fathers, and the lives of the saints, for example), and in Sacred Scripture.</i>	
Early Years <i>Foundation Stage</i>	The children will learn about the Wise Men visiting Jesus and the gifts that they brought to him. They will learn how Jesus is God's son and came for everyone. His birth is celebrated at Christmas. Jesus came to show God's love and welcomes everyone. He takes care of everyone.	Say the Glory Be together. Take care of someone you know. Do something that will help someone else either in your family or your community.
Classes Y1, Y1/2, Y2 <i>Working from Y1 curriculum</i>	Children will develop an early understanding of the Christian belief that through the ministry of Jesus, some of those who encountered him recognised he was the Son of God. They will learn about Simeon and Anna and how they see beyond the baby to the reality of Jesus as the Son of God. Children will learn about the mission of Jesus and how we share the Good News. Children will know that The Feast of the Presentation of Jesus is celebrated by Christians around the world and is known as Candlemas in Britain.	Share the Good News with someone that you know. Research how different people in different countries may celebrate Candlemas.
Classes Y3, Y3/4, Y4 <i>Working from Y3 curriculum</i>	By the end of this unit of study, pupils will know that the Church teaches: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Adoration of the Magi shows that all people are seeking Jesus and he comes for the whole world. • The kingdom of God begins in all those who open their hearts to God's love. • The miracles that Jesus worked expressed his love for all people and were signs that the kingdom of God was beginning. • Jesus' parables to show the choices people must make to accept his invitation to the kingdom. 	Pray the Our Father as a family. Research the life of a saint who worked to build the kingdom of God. Read a parable together: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parable of the Sower (Matt 13:4-9) • Parable of the Sower explained (Matt 13:10-17) • Parable of the yeast (Matt 13:33) • Parable of the treasure and of the pearl (Matt 13:44-46)
Class Y5, Y5/6, Y6 <i>Working from Y5 curriculum</i>	Children will deepen their understanding of Jesus' identity and mission. They will explore how Jesus reveals God's Kingdom through his teaching, miracles and actions. Pupils will examine key parables and miracle stories and reflect on how Jesus calls people to conversion, justice and love. They will consider what it means to be a disciple of Jesus in the modern world.	At home you could read: The Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5–7) The Parable of the Lost Sheep (Luke 15:1–7) Jesus Feeds the Five Thousand (Matthew 14:13–21) You could also discuss how Jesus' teachings challenge us to care for others, especially the most vulnerable.

Important Dates this Term

MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

1st January

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

6th January

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

7th January

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

2nd February

ASH WEDNESDAY

18th February

ST JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

19th March

THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

25th March

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

29th March

MAUNDY THURSDAY

2nd April

GOOD FRIDAY

3rd April

EASTER SUNDAY

5th April