



# 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:

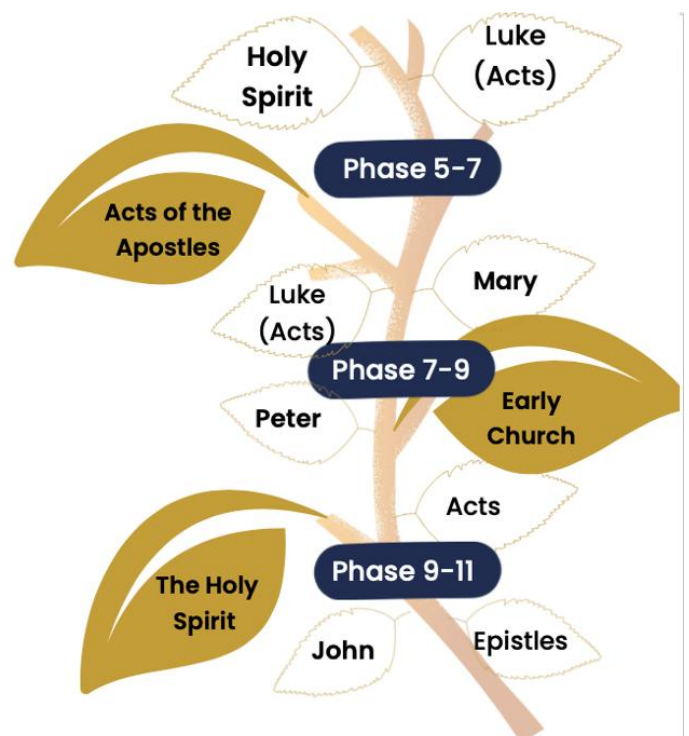
Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Creation and Covenant	Prophecy and Promise	Galilee to Jerusalem	Desert to Garden	To the ends of the Earth	Dialogue and Encounter

## Summer 1: To the ends of the Earth

In this branch, pupils will learn about the events that followed the Resurrection, including the Ascension and Pentecost, and discover how the apostles began the mission of the Church. Children will explore how the Holy Spirit guided the early Christians and continues to guide the Church today.

They will also learn about the Catholic Church as an apostolic Church and understand how today's liturgy and structures are rooted in the life of the early Church.

### Branch 5



	<b>Hear</b>	<b>Ways in which you can support learning at home</b>
	<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>	
<b>Early Years</b> <i>Foundation Stage</i>	Children will hear joyful stories about Jesus being alive and how his friends shared this Good News with others. They will learn that the Holy Spirit helps us to be brave, loving and kind.	Say a simple prayer to the Holy Spirit together. Talk about ways we can help others and spread happiness. Celebrate moments of joy and thank God for them. Read a children's Bible story about Pentecost.
<b>Classes Y1, Y1/2, Y2</b> <i>Working from Y1 curriculum</i>	Children will learn that after Jesus returned to the Father, the Holy Spirit came to help the disciples. They will begin to understand that the Church continues Jesus' mission by sharing love and forgiveness with the world.	Pray the Glory Be together.  Talk about how we can show courage and kindness.  Draw or create flame symbols to represent the Holy Spirit.  Share ways your family spreads Good News.
<b>Classes Y3, Y3/4, Y4</b> <i>Working from Y3 curriculum</i>	By the end of this unit of study, pupils will know that the Church teaches:  Jesus commissioned his disciples to go out and make disciples of all nations.  The Holy Spirit strengthened the apostles for their mission.  Pentecost marks the beginning of the Church.  Christians today are called to continue this mission through service and witness.	Read the story of Pentecost (Acts 2:1–4) together.  Pray the Our Father for the global Church.  Learn about a missionary or saint who spread the Gospel.  Discuss how your family can help your local community.
<b>Class Y5, Y5/6, Y6</b> <i>Working from Y5 curriculum</i>	Children will deepen their understanding of the Church as a worldwide community guided by the Holy Spirit. They will explore the significance of the Ascension and Pentecost and reflect on their own call to live as disciples in today's world.	<b>At home you could read:</b>  The Great Commission (Matthew 28:16–20)  The Ascension (Acts 1:6–11)  Pentecost (Acts 2)  You could also discuss how Christians bring hope to others and work for the common good.

# Important Dates this Term

**Ascension of the Lord**

14 May

**Pentecost Sunday**

24 May

**The Most Holy Trinity**

31 May

**Corpus Christi (Body and Blood of Christ)**

4 June

**Sacred Heart of Jesus**

12 June

**Nativity of St John the Baptist**

24 June

**Saints Peter and Paul**

29 June

**St Mary Magdalene**

22 July

**Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

15 August

**St Bartholomew**

24 August