## 'To know You more clearly'

From September 2024 all children will be following the new RE curriculum, 'To know You more clearly'.



In this branch, pupils will encounter the God who creates and calls a people. They will explore revelation of the Christian belief that all that is comes from God, the Creation accounts in Genesis, and scientific explanations of the process of Creation. They will explore the call of God and his covenantal relationship with his people first through Abraham and Moses, then through the narrative of the Old Testament.

	Hear  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. Children will hear:	Ways in which you can support learning at home
Class 1 Early Years Foundation Stage	The words and actions of the sign of the cross. (Genesis 1:31) God created the world and said, 'Indeed it is very good' (Laudato Si' 84-88) The whole of Creation shows Gods love for us	<ul> <li>Look at counting songs involving animals – make hand or finger puppets to help you count.</li> </ul>
Class 2 Working from Y1 curriculum	The Creation story in Genesis 1:1-4, 24-26 as an ancient, prayerful, poetic reflection on God's world.	<ul> <li>Collect photographs or postcards from places you have visited that show the wonder of Gods creation.</li> <li>Make your own book of the Creation story</li> </ul>
Class 3 Working from Y3 curriculum	That the Creation stories in Genesis use symbolism to explain the relationship between God, human beings, and the world.  That in the first account of the Creation one day is 'made holy' (Gen 2:3).  The first account of the Creation, Genesis 1:1-2:4.  Extracts from either Psalm 8 or 19 in praise of Creation.	<ul> <li>Celebrate your uniqueness! Create a poster to tell the class about how you are special and unique.</li> <li>Have you got a talent? Why not demonstrate it in class for the others to enjoy and learn from.</li> </ul>
Class 4 Working from Y5 curriculum	The Moses story, focusing on the two key events of the call and the covenant: The Burning Bush (Ex 3:1-15) The Sinai covenant and the Ten Commandments (Ex 19:3-8, 20:1-17) Jesus' summary of the law (Matt 22:36-40)	<ul> <li>God calls us to be special. What do you want to be when you are older? Create a mood board of thoughts, actions and words that will help you on your journey.</li> </ul>

## **IMPORTANT DATES THIS TERM**

**ALL SAINTS** 

(1 November)

We celebrate the lives of special and ordinary people who have responded to God's invitation to love.

THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOULS)

(2 November)

Today and throughout the rest of November we pray for those who have died. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May they rest in peace. Amen.

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE (24 November)

## **ADVENT**

(Begins 1 December)

Advent means 'coming'. We think of the coming of Jesus when he was born but we also think of his promise that he would come again at the end of time. It is a time of waiting and preparing. It is only in the last week of Advent that we focus upon the events to be celebrated at Christmas.

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (9 December)

This feast marks the first stage of the existence of Mary, the mother of Jesus. She was 'full of grace' from the very beginning and co-operated with God throughout her life. When December 8 falls on a Sunday, the Immaculate Conception is transferred to Monday

CHRISTMAS DAY, THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (25 December)
On this day we begin our celebration of the birth of Christ.

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH (30 December)

## **School Dates:**

3<sup>rd</sup> October Whole School Mass

17<sup>th</sup> October Class 2 Mass

7<sup>th</sup> November Class 4 Mass

14<sup>th</sup> November Class 3 Mass

21st November Class 2 Mass

28th November Class 4 Mass

5<sup>th</sup> December Class 3 Mass

11<sup>th</sup> December and 12<sup>th</sup> December Infant Nativity @ 2pm 17th December KS2 Advent Service: 2pm