



‘To know You more clearly’

From September 2023 children in Reception will be following the new RE curriculum, ‘To know You more clearly’.

Autumn Term	
Branch 1: Creation and Covenant	Branch 2: Prophecy and Promise
Spring Term	
Branch 3: Galilee to Jerusalem	Branch 4: Desert to garden
Summer Term	
Branch 5: To the ends of the earth	Branch 6: Dialogue and encounter*

*Branch 6 will be covered at various times during the year and will include Judaism and Islam. There will also be a high focus on Catholic Social Teaching.

Religious Educational programmes and schemes of work

Religious Educational programmes or schemes of work must include activities and experiences for children, as set out under each of the areas of learning.

Educational programmes or schemes of work should also contain:

*Effective teaching and learning for Religious Education activities should involve **playing, exploring, active learning, creating, thinking critically...** and include where possible... (2) **wonder and awe** - the Holy Spirit gives Catholics many gifts. One of those gifts is wonder and awe. Children are engaged when they experience moments of wonder and awe. Look at and comment on the astonishing things in nature and in everyday life. Experiences of even the smallest of wonders will enable children to welcome God’s presence and a sense of amazement.*

Ways of Knowing in Early Years

The Religious Education Curriculum is enriched by *Ways of Knowing* and throughout the curriculum children will experience, be taught through and learn by understanding, discerning and responding. Children will be enabled to SEE-JUDGE-ACT. Early Years children will use the same process by using age-appropriate language.

Ways of Knowing		
Understand	Discern	Respond
See	Judge	Act
What will I see and hear to help me understand?	How will I discover more?	What can I do now?
		

The children will encounter the skills words including:

recognise, talk about, label, name, match, sort, retell, sequence, recall.

Driver words and Phrases:

Children in Reception will begin to...

Recognise, Name, Remember, Recall, Retell, Describe, Make Links

Process - How to access and use...

Religious Education is outlined in **branches** and follows **Hear, Believe, Celebrate, Live** lenses.

Branches in EYFS

Branch 1	Creation and Covenant	God created the World - <i>Genesis 1:31</i>
Branch 2	Prophecy and Promise	The Annunciation - <i>Luke 1:26-31, 38</i> The Nativity - <i>Luke 2:4-7</i> The Shepherds visit the manger - <i>Luke 2:8-20</i>
Branch 3	Galilee to Jerusalem	The visit of the Magi - <i>Matthew 2:1-12</i> Jesus blesses the children - <i>Mark 10:13-16</i> Feeding the five thousand - <i>John 6:1-4</i>
Branch 4	Desert to Garden	Holy Week - <i>Luke 10:25-28</i>
Branch 5	To the Ends of the Earth	Pentecost The early Christian community - <i>Acts 2:42-47</i>
Branch 6	Dialogue and Encounter	

Each branch takes approximately six weeks to complete with Branch 6 being taught across the three terms.