

Christianity and Islam

This is the focus for Year 1 for the whole year.

This half term we largely focus on welcoming ceremonies in these two religions. We will be visiting both a Church and a Mosque to find out about belonging to a faith and ceremonies performed.

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Background information

- Baptism is a rite of ceremony performed by most Christian churches and denominations. It is symbol of cleansing and shows that the person being baptised has become a follower of Jesus. Some churches sprinkle water on the person. Other churches use full immersion or dunking in the water.
- Aqiqah is the ceremony performed to celebrate the arrival of a new baby in a Muslim family. It is a special time that usually happens seven days after birth and involves a special meal where thanks are given to Allah (Glory Be To Him) and the shaving of the baby's head. The weight of the hair then given to a charity in gold.

Knowledge and Understanding

In this unit pupils will learn...

About Christianity and Islam: baby welcoming ceremonies, Easter,

- To describe, make connections and reflect on some religious beliefs and practices studied, including how celebrations and key moments in life are marked
- To recall and name different beliefs and practices – Baptism, Naming Ceremonies
- To understand how and why symbols and actions express religious meaning

Enquiry skills and Key concepts

- To ask and begin to form answers questions about belonging, meaning, practices and beliefs eg Why do some people thank and praise God?
- Talk with others about how they and others express who they are, what they believe and how they belong to different communities
- To develop curiosity about religious beliefs and practises
- To respect differences
- To express own ideas and opinions
- Use a range of sources to find out new information.
- Present findings in creative ways

Key Vocabulary:

- **Religion** - a set or system of religious attitudes, beliefs and ways of doing things
- **Christianity** – The Christian religion
- **Baptism** – The Christian ceremony to welcome babies into the Christian faith.
- **Aqiqah**: A Muslim ceremony where a baby's birth is celebrated.
- **Font** - a basin to hold water for baptism.
- **Resurrection** - the rising of Jesus Christ from the dead
- **Crucifix** - A crucifix is an image of Jesus on the cross
- **Tomb** – a place to bury the dead in
- **Palm** – an evergreen tree found in tropical and warm regions. It has a crown of very long feathered or fan-shaped leaves.
- **God** - the Being perfect in power, wisdom, and goodness whom people worship as creator and ruler of the universe, often believed to have more than human powers and called different things /worshipped in different ways in different religions