

Themes

Salvation: Understanding Christianity Unit

Prior Knowledge: In Year 1, children will have learned about the Christian belief of the nature of God and will have explored the creation story. They will have begun to have some understanding of the fall and that Christians believe that God loves humanity. In this unit, children will learn about the importance of Easter to Christians and further develop their understanding of the symbolism of the cross to Christians: that being Jesus' sacrifice.

Key Question: Why does Easter matter to Christians?

Key Vocabulary

Jesus	Jesus God's son on Earth
Holy Week	Holy Week The week before Easter
Easter	A Christian festival celebrating the death and resurrection of Jesus
resurrection	the resurrection of Jesus
Forgive	To stop feeling angry towards someone for something they have done
Sin	Behaving in negative way that breaks rules or laws
Saviour	A person who saves someone from danger

Salvation	Salvation means being rescued from harm or loss.
Bible	Bible The book that tells us about Jesus and God

How will you celebrate Easter? Do you know why there is a cross on a hot cross bun?



Christians call the week before Easter **Holy Week**. This starts with **Palm Sunday**. On **Palm Sunday**, Christians remember when Jesus entered the city of Jerusalem on a donkey to celebrate the **Jewish Festival of The Passover**.

Next Steps: In Y3, you will learn about how Christians remember Jesus' resurrection through Holy Communion.



What do you already know about the Easter story? Is it a sad or happy story? Why?

The Last Super - Christians remember the time when Jesus and his disciples (followers) shared a final meal in an upper room in Jerusalem.



Easter eggs are not just yummy treats but reminders of the story of Jesus.