

Medium Term Plan Religious Education

Y1/2 Cycle A

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Big Concepts						
Theme	A Harvest of Hands	Christmas (Advent)	New Beginnings	Easter (Symbols of Easter)	Our Planet	Jesus the Teacher
Big Question	How do we help others?	How do Christians prepare for Christmas?	How do Christians celebrate new life?	What symbolises Easter?	What can we do to look after our world?	Why did Jesus tell stories?
Content	How do we use our hands? How do we use our hands to help others? Hands can be used for giving/making/creating/communicating (makaton) etc How do others use their hands to help us? People who help us. How do farmers use their hands? What is the harvest? What happens at a harvest festival in a church? - Thanking God. Hands for praying. What happens to the food donated at harvest?	The Christmas Story What is Advent? When is Advent? How is Advent celebrated? - Advent wreath. A candle is lit each week - hope, peace, joy, love & the 5th candle to celebrate the birth of Jesus lit on Christmas Day. What is an advent calendar?	What are New year resolutions and why do we make them? Baptism of Jesus - the beginning of a new stage in his life. How is a new birth in a family celebrated? - Baptism Service Who goes - family, friends & the wider church community. Promises are made. (Parents, Godparents & church community) What are they and why? What does the vicar do and why? The font, baptism candle.	The Easter Story Easter Eggs - Symbol of new life - Before chocolate eggs. Hot Cross buns - religious meaning e.g. the cross representing the crucifixion of Jesus. Easter bonnets - tradition of wearing new clothes at Easter in harmony with the renewal of the year and the promise of spiritual renewal. Easter gardens - three main components: a stone or stone structure to represent the empty tomb, a mound with three crosses and lots of flowers around it	What is our world like? Celebrate the beauty of the natural environment. How did our world begin? - Creation story. Thank you prayer Noah How can we show that we care for the world that we live in? What can we do to look after our world? Global Citizenship	What makes a good story? Jesus the storyteller Understanding the meaning of the the story What Jesus teaches about love and forgiveness Stories Jesus told: The Prodigal Son The Lost Sheep and the Lost Coin The Parable of the Pharisee and the Tax Collector: Houses on Rock and Sand: The Mustard Seed:
Stories (including bible references) 'Making Sense of Life's Experiences'		See Bible References	See Bible References	See Bible References	See Bible References	See Bible References
Celebrations/ Festivals	Harvest	Christmas	Baptism	Easter	Holy Trinity Service	

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'Words and Beyond'						
Theme/Concepts from Wirral Syllabus Big Ideas	Christians follow Jesus. Worship, this may include: reading the Bible, listening to stories, singing, prayer, people worshipping with others or alone.	Jesus is a special person for Christians. Jesus is the son of God.	Jesus is a special person for Christians. Jesus is the son of God. The church is a building but more importantly a group of believers.	Stories about Jesus – his death and resurrection	God is the Father who loves, cares, has authority and is Creator. He cares for the world and expects people to care for the world.	Stories about Jesus –things he taught. Christians follow the example of Jesus especially his teachings about love and forgiveness.
Vocabulary	Harvest, Harvest Festival, food, donate, help, farmers, thankful, giving, helping, worshipping, communicating, creating, offering, blessing, sign language, christian, celebrate, crops,	Christmas, advent, wreath, Mary, Joseph, Jesus, hope, special, christians, candle, season, peace, joy, celebration, calendar,	New Year, resolution, beginning, baptism, christian, godparents, service, birth, church, parents, promises, family, friends, community,believer, vicar, font, candle, stage, service,	Easter, sacrifice, Jesus, death, resurrection, tomb, cross, new life, symbol, symbolism, rebirth, crucifixion, tradition, spiritual,	Creation, Father, authority, world, environment, care, prayer, appreciation, protect, creator, ark, flood, destroy, rebirth, peace, dove, Earth, expectation, responsibility,	Teacher, storyteller, story, parable, love, forgiveness, teaching, meaning, learning, message,