



Subject: RE

Year group: Year 3

Term: Autumn 2

Unit name: 2a.3 What is the Trinity? (core)

Big Ideas

Differences between a 'Gospel' and a letter.

Christians show their beliefs about God the Trinity in worship (baptism and prayer) and in the way they live.

The Trinity is God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Spirituality

The Trinity offers us a precious gift of relationship, a grounded connection with God, self, others and the world.

Prior learning

God the Creator cares for the creation, including human beings.

As human beings are part of God's good creation, they do best when they listen to God.

The Bible shows that God wants to help people to be close to him and he keeps his relationship with them, gives them guidelines on good ways to live (such as the Ten Commandments).

Christians believe God made our wonderful world and so we should look after it. (Building block from EYFS)

Key Aspects covered

In this unit of RE work children will know that:

- Christians believe that God is One Trinity: God as three in one - Incarnation, God coming to earth in Jesus.
- Gospel is the good news of God's rescue plan for humanity. In the 'big story' of the Bible, God is the same throughout and the role of God the Creator and Father, Jesus the Son and Saviour and the Spirit is Comforter and power of God.
- Christians believe that the invisible God is right here now, by the Spirit and is also revealed in human form through the life and teaching of Jesus.
- Christians believe they can see God in Jesus, but that God is invisible, so they know God through what God does. The Holy Spirit — like the wind — has invisible power.

Knowledge expectations

Christians believe God is Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Christians believe The Father creates; he sends the Son who saves his people; the Son sends the Holy Spirit to his followers.

Christians find that understanding God is challenging; people spend their whole lives learning more and more about God.

Christians really want to try to understand God better and so try to describe God using symbols, similes and metaphors, in song, story, poems and art.

Christians worship God as Trinity. It is a huge idea to grasp and Christians have created art to help to express this belief.

Christians believe the Holy Spirit is God's power at work in the world and in their lives today, enabling them to follow Jesus.

Key vocabulary

Christians

God

Gospel

Baptism

Prayer

Trinity

Father

Son

Holy Spirit

Followers

Jesus

Humanity

Saviour