



Subject: RE

Year group: Year 5

Term: Autumn 1

Unit name: 2b.1 What does it mean if God is holy and loving?

Prior learning

The Old Testament tells the story of a group of people, the children of Israel known as the People of God and their relationship with God.

The People of God try to live in the way God wants, following his commands and worshipping him.

They believe he promises to stay with them.

Bible stories show how God keeps his promises.

Key Aspects covered

In this unit of RE work children will know that:

- The Bible tells a story of the relationship between God and humanity, calling people back into friendship with himself.
- Christians use the Bible to help them understand what God is like (awesome, terrifying, holy, intimate, personal, loving, pure, just).
- God hates sin and is separate from it.
- God loves his creation drawing human beings into a loving relationship which requires love, forgiveness and grace on God's part.
- Through the stories of Moses, covenant is an agreement between God and humanity and that God rescues his people from slavery and desperation.
- David and Isaiah are key people in teaching Christians of forgiveness.

Big Ideas

Christians believe that God is calling people back into friendship with himself.

God as holy and loving might make a difference in the world today.

Covenant is an agreement between God and humanity.

God forgives his people but hates sin.

Spirituality

Love rooted in a spiritual connection that helps us find meaning and purpose in our lives.

Knowledge expectations

Christians believe God is omnipotent, omniscient and eternal, and that this means God is worth worshipping.

**Christians believe God is both holy and loving, and Christians have to balance ideas of God being angered by sin and injustice (see Fall) but also loving, forgiving, and full of grace.**

**Christians do not all agree about what God is like, but try to follow his path, as they see it in the Bible or through Church teaching.**

Christians believe getting to know God is like getting to know a person rather than learning information.

Key vocabulary

God  
Eternal  
Holy  
Sin  
Forgiveness  
Friendship  
Creation  
Grace  
Moses  
Covenant  
Humanity  
David  
Isaiah