

R.E. NEWSLETTER FOR PARENTS

God Matters

This term your child(ren) will be studying Creation in Religious Education:

RECEPTION



In Reception the Creation topic is designed to nurture an understanding of the world around. It introduces children to God as creator of all that they see around them and the idea of giving thanks. It helps the children to understand that they, their talents and gifts are God-given. It helps them to understand that we have special signs to show we give God praise and that we can find out about God from the Bible.

Help at home

Read the story of Creation together from a child's version of the Bible and say a prayer to God to give thanks for all the wonderful things that He has created. Talk to your child about their talents and all the gifts that God has given them.

Years 5 and 6

The Creation unit in Years 5 and 6 enables the children to explore how we become co-creators. The starting point for exploration is the two creation stories in Genesis. This then requires understanding of what it means to be the People of God as expressed by St. Paul and in the teachings of the Beatitudes. This will help the children to reflect on their own God-given talents and living their lives in response to the teaching of Christ.

Help at home

Read the creation stories from Genesis and discuss what this tells us about God. Talk to your child about their role and responsibility in God's creation and how we can all create a positive world around us following the example of Jesus.



Years 1 and 2

In Years 1 and 2 the Creation topic is designed to develop children's appreciation of themselves and the world around them as part of God's creation. It should help children to know that our response to His creation is to give praise. They should also begin to understand that the church is a place of prayer and praise.



Help at home

Read the story of Creation together from a child's version of the Bible and say a prayer to God to give thanks for all the wonderful things that he has created. Talk to your child about the world around them in which God communicates his goodness, truth and beauty.

Years 3 and 4

In Years 3 and 4 the Creation unit is designed to give some insight into how we are called to be part of God's creation. Our calling is examined through the roles of the disciples. The main teaching of this calling is that we should respond. Through Baptism the children learn that we are called and our parents respond on our behalf. Baptism calls us to see the world through God's eyes and live out a new life with Him. By living out that life and responding to His call we are protecting His creation.

Help at home

Talk to your child about why God created the world and why He created us...

'I have called you by your name, you are mine'

Isaiah 43:1

Key Feasts

- 4th October St Francis of Assisi

EVENTS AND SCHOOL CELEBRATIONS

See School Diary of Events