

Autumn 2 Year 1 Christmas Knowledge Organiser

Why do we give and receive gifts?

Subject specific Vocabulary		Images/Diagrams/Maps	Important Knowledge
Gift	Something you give to show love or kindness.		Christians believe that Jesus is God's gift to the world. The Wise Men (Magi) visited Mary, Joseph and Jesus after Christmas. Christians believe that the gift of Jesus shows God's love and care for the world. Christians believe Jesus is God's son, the promised Messiah.
Jesus	A special person Christians believe is God's Son.		
Magi	Another name for the Wise Men who visited baby Jesus.		
Promise	Words that tell someone you will do something.		
Wise Men	Important visitors who brought gifts to baby Jesus.		
Key Questions Why do people give and receive gifts at Christmas? Why is Jesus described as a gift? How does it feel when you give and receive gifts? What is the best gift you have ever received?		Writing/Provision/ Enrichment opportunities	
		Make something that the children can give as gifts to their families. For example, calendars, fridge magnets, photo frames or tree decorations.	

Presentation		Assessment	
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	☐ recall/retell the nativity story. ☐ identify the characters in the nativity story. ☐ use religious words to talk about Christmas. ☐ talk about why Christmas is important. ☐ talk about how the church celebrates Christmas. ☐ talk about feelings related to celebrating Christmas and birthdays.	☐ Retell the nativity story in two parts, a) the shepherds and b) the wise men. ☐ Talk about giving gifts that are not objects. ☐ Talk about the feelings associated with giving and receiving gifts.	☐ Christians believe Jesus is God's son, the promised Messiah.