

Spring 2 Year 3 Easter Knowledge Organiser

Is the cross a symbol of sadness or joy?

Subject specific Vocabulary		Images/Diagrams/Maps	Important Knowledge
Crucified	When Jesus died on the cross.		The events of Palm Sunday, Holy week and Easter are a combined mixture of the emotions of joy and sadness. The church remembers and marks the events of Holy Week in a variety of ways. The events of Holy Week reveal what Jesus came to earth to do – God’s salvation plan.
Easter Sunday	The day Christians celebrate Jesus coming back to life.		
Gethsemane	A quiet garden where Jesus went to pray.		
Good Friday	The day Jesus died on the cross.		
Last Supper	The special meal Jesus shared with His friends before He died.		
Palm Sunday	The day Jesus rode into Jerusalem and people waved palm branches.		
Resurrection	When Jesus came back to life after He died.		
Temple	A special place where people went to worship God.	Writing/Provision/ Enrichment opportunities	
Key Questions: Is it possible to describe the events of Holy Week and Easter simply as events of joy or sadness? Why? Why not? Is the cross a symbol of sadness or joy? How do the services held in churches during Holy Week and Easter reflect the sadness and joy? Is Good Friday the beginning or the end? Is Easter Sunday the end or the beginning?		Write a newspaper report, front page, for the Jerusalem newspapers the morning after Jesus turned over the tables in the Temple. Write a poem to describe the events of Palm Sunday.	

Presentation	Assessment		
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	☐ Identify and name some of the symbols of Easter. (Y2) ☐ Retell the Easter story. (Y2) ☐ Talk about their own experiences of Easter celebrations. (Y2)	☐ Use religious vocabulary to retell in detail the stories of Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter. ☐ Know that the church remembers and marks the events of Holy Week in a variety of ways.	☐ make links between Christian beliefs and the stories of Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter. ☐ Ask good questions about the events of Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter and Christian belief associated with these events. ☐ Use religious vocabulary to make links between people's values and behaviour. ☐ Ask important questions about belief and values. ☐ Use religious vocabulary to describe and show understanding of the Christian practices linked with the Easter Story. ☐ Describe the impact of the events of Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter on the lives of people today.