Vocabulary—church, symbols, signs, values, cross, crucifix, Catholic, Anglican, pulpit, lectern, font, altar, communion table, cross, crucifix, candle, bible, worship, organ.

Year 2 — RE Overview

Topic— The Church

Things to remember—What unites the Christian community?

Children should explore the core beliefs and symbols of Christianity. They should know that belief in one God and Jesus Christ unite the Christian community and that the cross is an important Christian symbol. This should build on their previous learning about symbolism contained in the idea of Jesus as 'the light of the world'. They should learn about the importance of the church as a place to bring together the community for worship and Christian fellowship. Children should be able to talk about key aspects of worship such as prayer, use of music and readings from the Bible.





Prior learning—Year 1

Talk about what it might mean to belong to the Church family.

Use some religious words and phrases to recognise and name features of religious traditions.

Recognise their own identity as part of a family and part of the school community

Progression—Year 3

Know what Christians mean by the Holy Spirit.

Suggest how belief in the Holy Spirit as Gods presence in the world may have an impact on

Individuals and communities.

Describe how and why Pentecost is celebrated.

Pupil Interview questions

What kinds of things may unite a Christian community?

What images and actions would you see in a church?

Can you name 3 things that you would see in a Church building.

Why is the cross present in all churches?