



Religious Education



Knowledge organiser – Incarnation – Was Jesus the Messiah? (UKS2)

What will we be learning?

Making sense of belief:

- Explain the place of Incarnation and Messiah within the ‘big story’ of the Bible.
- Identify Gospel and prophecy texts, using technical terms.
- Explain connections between biblical texts, Incarnation and Messiah, using theological terms.

Understanding the impact:

- Show how Christians put their beliefs about Jesus’ Incarnation into practice in different ways in celebrating Christmas.

Making connections:

- Weigh up how far the idea that Jesus is the Messiah – a saviour from God – is important in the world today and if it is true, what difference that might make in people’s lives.

Key knowledge

Pupils will know that:

- Jesus was Jewish.
- Christians believe Jesus is God in the flesh.
- They believe that his birth, life, death and resurrection were part of a longer plan by God to restore the relationship between humans and God.
- The Old testament talks about a ‘rescuer’ or ‘anointed one’ – a messiah. Some texts talk about what the ‘messiah’ would be like.
- Christians believe that Jesus fulfilled these expectations and that he is the Messiah. (Jewish people do not think Jesus was the Messiah.)
- Christians see Jesus as their Saviour.



Key Vocabulary

Incarnation – God in the flesh

Messiah – A Saviour from God

Gospel – Good news

Prophecy – A prediction of what will happen in the future

Possible Evidence

Examine the situation (story of the Bible)
What kind of saviour?

Examining the evidence – Messianic expectations.

Understanding of Christmas for Christians
What Christians do at Christmas

Why might some people think Jesus was not the saviour?