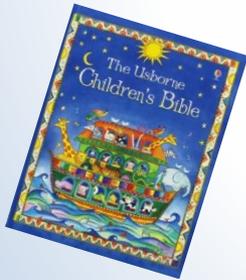
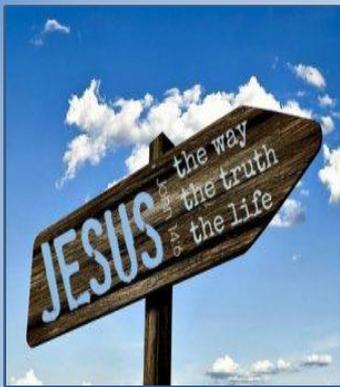


Religious Education in EYFS at St William of Perth





Term 1 - God's World

Throughout this topic, the children will begin to appreciate the beauty of the world and know that God made it.

They will learn that God loves and cares for each one of us and reflect on this. They will hear about and respond to the things God created for us.

They will know that God has asked us to care for the world and think of ways in which we can help to do it.

At home you could help your children by: • looking at pictures of animals and plants and talking about how special creation is • encourage them to notice different parts of God's wonderful creation and think of ways to care for the world.

Term 2 - God's Family

This half term, the children will be getting to know God's family. They will learn about how they are part of God's family and how we should show love and care for each other. They will learn that God sent us his greatest gift, Jesus.

At home you could help your children by: • talking about how you show love to people you care about • talk about how we can help members of God's family that may need our help • saying or sharing prayers with our family • reading the story of Jesus' birth.

Term 3 - Getting to know Jesus

This half term, the children will be getting to know Jesus. Throughout the topic, the children will be given opportunities to become aware that Jesus has a great love for each one of us and will think of ways in which we can show our love for Jesus. They will hear that Jesus cured people who were sick and think of ways we can show our love for sick people.

At home You could help your children by: • saying or sharing prayers together • talk about people who help us e.g. nurses, doctors • talk about how we can help others • giving them jobs which help at home.

The Way, The Truth and The Life

Term 4 - Sorrow and Joy

This half term, the children will be learning about sorrow and joy. They will begin to understand that we are capable of hurting others and that we should always try to be kind to each other. They will learn that we can say sorry when we hurt someone but we need to ask Jesus to help us to do this. They will also begin to learn that Jesus forgave those who hurt him and know that we can forgive other people when they hurt us.

At home you could help your children by: • talking to them about what makes them happy • talking to them about how they can be kind to other people • reminding them to say please and thank you and to say sorry when it is appropriate.

Term 5 - New Life

This half term, the children will be learning about new life. They will learn about the story of the empty tomb, and learn that Jesus appeared to his disciples. The children will begin to understand the special gift of joy and peace that Jesus gave to his friends and can give to us as well. They will hear the story of Jesus going back to his Father and learn that one day we shall hopefully go there too.

At home you could help your children by: • planting an Easter garden • looking for signs of new life • practise the Sign of the Cross, 'Our Father' & 'Hail Mary'.

Term 6 - The Church

This half term, the children will be learning about the Church. The children will begin to understand that we call the Church the family of God. They will learn that a church building is a holy place where we can all pray and are welcome. The children will learn that Jesus is present in a special way in the Blessed Sacrament and he invites us to be with him. They will learn to be thankful that lots of people help to look after the church and know why Sunday is a special day.

At home you could help your children by: • visiting church, either for Mass or another time, to talk about the church reminding them what a special place a Church is and reasons why • talking to your child about their Baptism, explaining how this was the day that they became part of God's family.

