

Topic: RE: Easter	Year group	Term Spring
New life / new beginnings	Year 3	6 sessions

Background knowledge

Easter is the most important festival for Christians through which they express some fundamental beliefs upon which their faith is based. It was the time Jesus sacrificed himself for the whole of mankind, was crucified and then resurrected.

Shrove Tuesday (Pancake day) Pancakes are associated with the day preceding Lent, because they are a way to use up rich foods such as eggs, milk, and sugar (that wouldn't keep for 40 days), before the fasting season of the 40 days of Lent.

Lent lasts 46 days as Sundays aren't counted.

Do not tell the story of Jesus in the Wilderness (Lent) as this is covered in Year 4.

Jesus taught his disciples how to pray bread is his body and wine is his blood. Peter betrayed Jesus by saying he did not know him on three occasions just as Jesus predicted.

What should I already know?

I can sketch features in a church at Easter.

I can describe how Jesus friends felt on Palm Sunday.

I know the story of the Last supper.

I can explain the importance of bread and wine.

I can understand why people are sad and happy at Easter.

R.E. Agreed Syllabus / Key Skills	The Journey
Exploration of how encounter with Jesus led to a change of life direction for some individuals eg. Zacchaeus. Exploration of the concept of new life/new beginnings through eg, Jesus calling the disciples and the call, denial and commissioning of Peter I know who Zacchaeus was. I can describe Zacchaeus character. I can describe why we celebrate Shrove Tuesday. I can make a timeline from Shrove Tuesday	1. To know why Christians celebrate Shrove Tuesday. 2. To look at the character of Zacchaeus and compare how he changed after meeting Jesus (draw a tree, one side write what he was like before and then the other side what he was like after meeting Jesus) 3. To know the events between Shrove Tuesday and Easter Sunday (Ash Wednesday, Palm Sunday and Holy Week) and put these on a timeline. 4. To recap the events of the last supper

to Easter Sunday. I can describe some Easter traditions.	and look at Peter's role in the events. To recap the Easter story (Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection)- create a little story map of the main event and add key information. 5. To look at some Easter traditions e.g. painting eggs and rolling eggs. 6. To prepare for Easter service in church / to make Easter crafts e.g. cards.
---	---

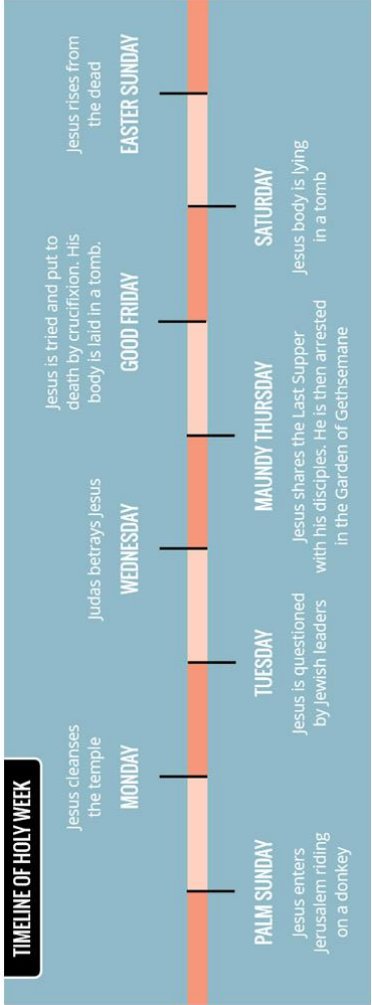
Outcomes

An overview of what children will know / can do

Working towards: I know the story of Palm Sunday and how Jesus helped Zacchaeus change his life. I can describe how we celebrate Shrove Tuesday and with support, can put events of Lent and Holy Week on a timeline. I know the story of the Last Supper and know who Peter was. I know some Easter traditions.

Expected: I know the story of Palm Sunday and how Jesus helped Zacchaeus change his life. I can describe how and why we celebrate Shrove Tuesday and can put events of Lent and Holy Week on a timeline. I know the story of the Last Supper and the role Peter played on this day. I know some Easter traditions.

Exceeding: I know the story of Palm Sunday and how Jesus helped Zacchaeus change his life and can make comparisons. I can describe how and why we celebrate Shrove Tuesday and the symbolism of pancakes and can put events of Lent and Holy Week on a timeline. I know the story of the Last Supper and the role Peter played on this day. I can explain why he behaved in this way. I know some Easter traditions.

Key Vocabulary	Timeline / Diagrams
Religion - the belief in or worship of God or Gods, e.g. Christianity Christianity - one of the 6 major world religions. The belief in God and Jesus being God's son Feelings - how you feel towards others e.g. hope, love, joy, peace, forgiveness, anger, hatred, jealousy Easter - the time we remember Jesus' sacrifice Palm Sunday - the Sunday before Jesus' death; the start of Holy week Crucifixion - put on a cross to die Resurrection - Christians believe Jesus was the son of God and God brought him back to life before joining him in Heaven. This was because he was special Celebrate - to do something special for an important event Last Supper - the meal before Jesus' arrest Maundy Thursday - the day of the Last Supper Disciples - Jesus' friends Betray - an act of deliberate disloyalty e.g. when your friend tells others your secrets Shrove Tuesday - The day before Lent when Christians use up all of their rich foods Ash Wednesday - The start of Lent Lent - When Christians fast / give something up for 40 days (not including Sundays)	Shrove Tuesday Ash Wednesday (start of Lent) 46 days before Easter Sunday  The diagram is a vertical timeline titled "TIMELINE OF HOLY WEEK". It features a central vertical orange line with horizontal tick marks. To the left of the line, the days of the week are listed: PALM SUNDAY, MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, GOOD FRIDAY, and EASTER SUNDAY. To the right of the line, the corresponding events are listed: Jesus enters Jerusalem riding on a donkey (Palm Sunday), Jesus is questioned by Jewish leaders by Tuesday, Judas betrays Jesus (Wednesday), Jesus is tried and put to death by crucifixion. His body is laid in a tomb. (Good Friday), and Jesus rises from the dead (Easter Sunday). The background of the diagram is light blue.

Important people or places

On Palm Sunday, Jesus triumphantly entered the city of Jerusalem on a donkey. He was welcomed by cheering crowds who threw their cloaks over the road and waved palm branches, shouting,

'Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!'

Many Christians believe this night to be the most solemn night of the year. On the Thursday of Holy week, Jesus celebrated the Last Supper with his disciples, prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane and was arrested. During the Last Supper, Jesus celebrated the Passover with his disciples. Before eating, Jesus wanted to teach the disciples a valuable lesson about humility and service, so he washed their feet. Afterwards, he instructed his followers to share bread and drink wine in his memory. This well-known act became the basis of the Eucharist, which is the source and summit of the Christian life. During the meal, Jesus also said something that was shocking to the disciples. He said,

'I tell you, one of you will betray me.'

After eating, Jesus and his disciples went to pray in a place called Gethsemane. Jesus, knowing what was about to happen to him, prayed in anguish to his Father. When he returned to his disciples, he found them asleep.

While he was speaking to his disciples, Judas arrived with a large crowd who were armed with swords and clubs. With a kiss of betrayal, Judas showed the soldiers who Jesus was and Jesus was arrested.

On Good Friday, Jesus was sent before the chief priests, Pontius Pilate and Herod as he endured several trials. Pilate tried to compromise with the religious leaders by having Jesus beaten, but this did not satisfy them, so Pilate handed Jesus over to be crucified.

Jesus was dressed in a purple robe and a crown of thorns. He was made to carry his own cross to the place of the skull, known as Golgotha. Here, Jesus was crucified alongside two other criminals. It is believed that Jesus hung alive on the cross for up to six hours. Right before his death, at three o'clock, he cried out, 'My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?' Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last breath.

Jesus was taken down from the cross and wrapped in cloth. His body was placed in a tomb

belonging to Joseph of Arimathea.

Jesus speaking to Peter

Jesus said to him, "Truly I say to you that this very night, before a cock crows, you shall deny Me three times." Peter *said to Him, "Even if I have to die with You, I will not deny You." All the disciples said the same thing too.

Assessment questions / outcomes

- Can you retell the story of Palm Sunday?
- Can you describe how Zacchaeus changes after meeting Jesus?
- Can you describe how and why we celebrate Shrove Tuesday?
- Can you describe some of the key events during the Last Supper?
- Can you say what role Peter had in the betrayal of Jesus?
- Can you retell the Easter story?
- Can you name some traditions Christians have to help them celebrate Easter?