

RE – Year 4 – autumn 2 – Christmas journeys

Vocabulary	
Bethlehem	A small town near Jerusalem where Jesus was born.
census	An official count of the population of an area.
Christians	People who believe in the religion of Christianity.
consequences	The results or effects of a behaviour or action.
emotions	The feelings and mood of a person.
Jesus	The name of a man who Christians believe was the son of God.
journey	When someone is travelling from one place to another.
king	The male ruler of a country.
Nazareth	A town in Israel where Jesus grew up.
pilgrim	A person who travels to a sacred place for religious reasons.
pilgrimage	The journey that a pilgrim goes on to a sacred place.
shepherd	A person who tends to and looks after sheep.

Skills

- To be able to understand the story from different points of view.
- To retell a story accurately.
- To use music to express religious ideas.
- To use art to express religious ideas.

Books

The Nativity Story –
 The story of baby
 Jesus by May Eliot



Knowledge

By the end of this topic you will learn:

- About the importance of Bethlehem to Christians both in the past and now, and what a pilgrimage is and why people go on one.
- Learn the story of Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem and retell the main points.
- Understand how people felt in the story by exploring it from different viewpoints of the people involved.





What I should be able to do and know now.

Growth Mindset Strategies

What I will know and be able to do at the end of the topic.

Knowledge:

- To know that Mary and Joseph travelled to Bethlehem.
- Jesus was the son of Mary and Joseph.
- There were shepherds in the nativity story.
- There were kings in the nativity story.
- Jesus was born in a stable.
- Christians believe in Jesus.
- People may travel to different places to see famous things.

Skills:

- Give words to describe how a person may feel.
- Name characters from a story.
- Draw a picture to illustrate a story.

If I find something challenging I can:

- Look back at the information I have been given.
- Ask a friend if they can help me.
- Use a picture or text book.
- Look at the example the teacher gave me.
- Use an I-pad to research.

What I will be learning

- 1. That Bethlehem is an important place for Christians both then and now.
- 2. What a pilgrimage is and why pilgrims go on a pilgrimage.
- 3. Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem and the main points of the nativity story.
- 4. Learn the story of the 3 kings.
- 5. Understand how the people in the story felt and compare their emotions, giving reasons for their feelings.

Knowledge:

- Can you explain what a pilgrimage is?
 A pilgrimage is when a person
 ______. The
 person on the pilgrimage is called a
- Bethlehem is an important religious site to visit because______.
- Why did Mary and Joseph travel to Bethlehem?
- What was the shepherds' role in the nativity story? Why are they an important symbol?

Skills:

- Make comparisons between different peoples' emotions throughout the story.
- Retell a story accurately and in detail.
- Use music skills to express religious ideas.
- Use art skills to express religious ideas.