

RE Knowledge organiser:

Year 4: Why is Easter important to Christians?

Vocabulary

Palm Sunday: On Palm Sunday Christians celebrate the Triumphant Entry of Jesus Christ into Jerusalem, the week before his death and resurrection

The Last Supper: The Last Supper (also called the Mystical Supper) was the last meal Jesus shared with his Twelve Apostles and disciples before his death

Procession: Procession is the act of going forth, advance, and proceed. In general, an organized body of people advancing in a formal or ceremonial manner

Eucharist: The Eucharist, also called Holy Communion, the blessed Sacrament, or The Lord's Supper is a Christian sacrament or practice, in commemoration of the Last Supper, the final meal that Jesus Christ shared with his disciples before his arrest and eventual crucifixion (killing of Jesus on a cross)

Holy Week: Holy week is the last week of Lent and the week before Easter Sunday. It is when Christians remember the last week of Jesus' life and is the most important time in the Christian year. There are many church services and processions

Maundy Thursday: The night of the last supper

Easter: Important festival for the Christians. It celebrates the resurrection (rising from the dead) of Jesus. It is celebrated on the first Sunday after the first full moon following the northern spring equinox

Crucifixion: Roman punishment of death for criminals

Big question for the year: What is important to people in my local community?

Key learning

Explain why Easter is so special to Christians

Analyse the similar and different things Christians do to celebrate Easter

Evaluate how Easter symbols are used by the different Christians

Explain what is the most important part of Easter are for a range of Christians and why

Symbols/Images/artefacts

Oberammergau Passion Play 2020

A German play put on every 10 years in a Village re-enacting the last week of Jesus' life

Important people/places/artefacts

Eucharist - wine and yeast free bread (wafer)

Links to further learning

Research how the Orthodox church celebrates and remembers Jesus death and resurrection. Explain what is special at Easter for Orthodox Christians. How is this different from what other churches do?

Compare and contrast what they have found out about Christian Easter celebrations with another religion.