

BRUNSHAW PRIMARY SCHOOL



OUR VISION:

Inspiring children to be resilient and aspirational learners,
within a positive and considerate community.

	Subject: RE Term Autumn – Christianity – Jesus	Year group: 2	Title: How do we respond to the things that really matter?
Lesson	Key Knowledge /objectives	Skills/Key Questions	Vocabulary
1 Shared Human Experience	To know humans, use light to see or guide us – either naturally using the Sun or fire, or with manmade objects like candles or lightbulbs. Light energy is also used by plants, which capture the light energy from the Sun and use it to produce their food. We use light for heat. To understand that a light source is the Sun and other stars, fires, torches and lamps all make their own light and so are examples of sources of light To know that we use LIGHT in lots of sayings and language for usually positive reasons such as - bright spark, dark mood, dawned on me, saw the light, light at the end of the tunnel, out like a light, guiding light, light as feather, a red light, To know that when it is dark light makes us feel safe and we are safer when we can see dangers such as – street lighting, car headlights, transport, in the kitchen etc.	How do humans use light and why is it important?	Light Humans Naturally Source Guide Safe Positive

2 Beliefs and Values	To know that Jesus is known as the 'light of the world'. Jesus is the 'Light of the World' in John 9:5, during the miracle of healing the blind at birth, saying: When I am in the world, I am the Light of the World. This episode leads into John 9:39 where Jesus metaphorically explains that he came to this world, so that the blind may see. In John 8:12 Jesus applies the title to himself while debating with the Jews and states: I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life To understand that Jesus Christ is also the light of the world because his example and his teachings illuminate the path Christians should walk to return to the presence of their Father in Heaven To know that in Christianity, light has significance because it is symbolic of Jesus Christ, who referred to himself as 'the light of the world', as well as the metaphorical light of God's love and his word. Christians also use candles in many religious ceremonies.	• Why do Christians say that Jesus is the 'Light of the World'?	Light Christians World Jesus Symbolic Illuminate Love Darkness
3 Living Religious Traditions	To know that the light of Advent is the season of Advent begins four Sundays prior to Christmas and culminates on December 24th. In the tradition of the Christian churches, one candle was lit each Sunday until the light of four candles heralded the birth of Christ To understand that there are 4 or 5 candles lit at Advent, two or three blue or purple candles. One is for hope, one symbolizing	• How do Christians use light as part of their Christmas celebrations?	Festive Service Light Advent Celebration Candle Christmas Hope Joy

	preparation and one for love. There is one pink or rose candle for joy. And the last candle is white for purity, regeneration, godliness, light and victory. To know that the first candle, which is purple, symbolizes hope. It is sometimes called the “Prophecy Candle” in remembrance of the prophets who foretold the birth of Christ. It represents the expectation felt in anticipation of the coming Saviour – Jesus To know that Christmas lights symbolize the stars, particularly the Star of David, that appeared in Bethlehem the night Christ was born. Even though the use of lit Christmas trees and Christmas lights didn’t start with Christianity, displaying Christmas lights can remind us to follow Christ and His path		
4 Living Religious Traditions	To know a Christingle is a festive, candle-lit Christian celebration that takes place during Advent. It is named after the Christingles that are lit during the service To understand that a Christingle service is a happy occasion which is held during Advent, often on the Sunday before Christmas To know that as a symbol of Christianity, Christingles are made from an orange decorated with red tape, sweets or dried fruit and a candle. Each of these different elements has a special meaning: The orange symbolises the world. The red ribbon shows God's love for the world and the blood of Jesus.	• What is a Christingle and what does it represent?	Christingle Christmas Represent Service Decorated Advent Sweets World Light Jesus Darkness

	The sweets/dried fruit represent God's creations. The four cocktail sticks can represent either the four seasons or the four corners of the world. The candle represents Jesus being the light of the world, bringing hope to those in darkness		
5 Shared Human Experience	To know that we and our family and friends can represent the light in our lives – bringing joy, love, warmth, light, care, kindness, hope etc To know being the light to others can mean a variety of things. For starters, it means being a generous and selfless person. This means you intentionally go out of your way to help others, even without the cost of expecting something in return. Being there to help others makes you happy and it's what makes you the light to others. Your loved ones can rely on you to be there for them especially on their darkest days and to put things simply, you bring even a tiny spark in them when they lose hope To understand that they can let 'their light shine' by – Being friendly - your smile, friendliness goes a long way Share your optimism and gratitude Give to charity Give what you can Listen with intent Empathise with others	• Who brings light into my life? How?	Light Life Selfless Generous Shine Help Empathise Friendly Giving