BRUNSHAW PRIMARY SCHOOL



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

	Subject: RE Term Summer 2 – Christianity (Church)	Year group: 2	Title: What unites the Christian community?
Lesson	Key Knowledge /objectives	Skills/Key Questions	Vocabulary
1	To know a community is a group of people	Why is being part of a community	Community
	with a common characteristic or interest	important to many humans?	Humans
Shared	living together within a larger society		Group society
Human	To know a symbol/logo is graphic mark,		Logo
Experience	emblem, or symbol used to aid and promote		Identification
	public identification and recognition. They		Value
	reflect a message or a set of values. That		Symbol
	values are individual beliefs that motivate		Language
	people to act one way or another		Meaning
	To understand that we use symbols offer a		
	simple message with the same meaning for		
	everyone, regardless of language		
	To know a community can have a logo –		
	school, clubs, religious group etc		
2	To know a Christian is someone who believes	Why do Christians come together in	Christians
	in Jesus Christ and follows his teachings - The	church?	Church
Beliefs and	Bible		Bible
Values	To know the church is a place for Christians		Jesus Christ
	to come together and learn about God		Symbol

	To understand that there are different types of Christianity, so churches can look different to one another and can be used in different ways; The Protestants are split into different Churches, such as Baptist, Anglican, Methodist, Presbyterian, etc. because of differences in beliefs and the importance people placed on them The Catholic - A person is said to be fully initiated in the Catholic Church when s/he has received the three sacraments of Christian initiation, Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. To know that in these churches you find; Alter, Lectern, Cross, Pulpit, Bible, Seating, Font, Statues and art, Organ To understand that Christian worship involves praising and thanking God. There are lots of ways Christians worship God. Here are some examples: Through music, songs or hymns Reading from the Bible Saying prayers Listening to sermons Communion or Holy Communion Giving some of their time or money charity		Protestants Catholic Anglican Presbyterian Baptist Lectern Alter Organ Font Statue
3 Beliefs and Values	To understand a symbol is something used for or regarded as representing something else To know some Christian symbols are; Crucifix - A crucifix necklace is very popular with Christians. They may wear a crucifix to remember Jesus. An empty cross reminds them that Jesus did not stay on the cross but came back to life	What imagery and symbols are used in Christianity and how do these express the shared beliefs and values of the community?	Symbols Community Crucifix Icthus Dove Flame Candles

<u>Icthus (fish)</u> - The fish is a very old symbol. In the Greek language the first letters of the words "Jesus Christ, God's Son, Saviour" spell "icthus", which means fish. Today, Christians may wear a fish badge, or put it on their car.

<u>Dove -</u> A dove was seen at Jesus' baptism. It is a symbol of the Holy Spirit, who Christians believe lives with them and helps them.

<u>Flame</u> - The Holy Spirit came to Jesus' friends looking like flames of fire. Flames are another symbol of the Holy Spirit.

<u>Candles -</u> Candles have always been used to bring light to dark places. They are often used in worship as a sign that Jesus is "the light of the world"

<u>Bread and Wine -</u> In communion, the bread and wine have special meanings. Christians break up some bread to remember that Jesus' body was 'broken' by his death on the cross. Christians drink red wine to remember that Jesus bled when he died in order to bring peace between God and people.

<u>Water</u> - Water is an important symbol. Jesus talks about God's Spirit being like water that gives people life. When water is used in baptism it symbolises how people have become 'clean' – that is, forgiven by God.

<u>Anchor</u> - The anchor is a disguised cross. It reminds Christians that God keeps us safe – especially in the storms of life.

<u>Shepheard's Crook -</u> A Bishop carries a crosier. It is shaped like a shepherd's crook. It shows that he is like a shepherd, looking after his flock.

Rainbow - The rainbow is a symbol of God's promises to us. After the flood God put a rainbow in the sky as a sign to Noah that He would never flood the earth again.

Bread and wine
Water
Anchor
Shepherds crook
Communion
Rainbow

4 Living Religious Traditions	To know that churches also often run youth groups, giving local children a place to participate in activities. Churches often provide help and advice for those in need, and many Christians volunteer for local charities To understand that gathering to worship, is not only enjoyable, but it also nurtures our most important relationships and promotes a sense of belonging and community of church To know the symbols and church features help worshippers to remind Christians about faith and sacrifices made	Why is coming together for worship important for many Christians and how are symbols and church features used?	Church Worship Community Participate Relationships Nurture Symbols Features Belonging
5 Search for Personal Meaning	To know that we all belong to different communities and that we feel a sense of belonging and that they matter to us – sport, school, families, religion, where we live etc To understand we share community values that untie us – logo, symbols, rules, uniform, place etc To know that trust, sharing the same values, establishing rules of conduct, and prioritising their wellbeing brings communities together To understand that community events, activities and gatherings are a great way to connect with others, make new friends, nurture long lasting relationships, and often help other people in your community in a multitude of ways	What communities do I belong to?	Communities Belong Values Unite Trust Relationships Events