

BRUNSHAW PRIMARY SCHOOL



OUR VISION:

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

	Subject: RE Term Autumn 1 – Christianity (God)	Year group: 6	Title: How do Christians mark the ‘turning points’ on the journey of life?
Lesson	Key Knowledge /objectives	Skills/Key Questions	Vocabulary
<p>1</p> <p>Shared Human Experience</p>	<p>To know a celebration is a special enjoyable event that people organise because something pleasant has happened or because it is someone's birthday or anniversary</p> <p>To understand that life changes in lots of ways – born, learn to walk, birthdays, start school, leave school, start university/job, getting married, passing driving test etc</p> <p>To know that life events are often celebrated by you and your families – have a remembrance service, birthdays, funerals, graduations, weddings, christenings etc</p> <p>To understand we remember these events because celebrations are markers of achievements in our lives and the celebrations to recognise or remember these events help to reinforce to each of us our significance as unique individuals. Perhaps the most important celebration of all is the birthday because it demarcates our arrival on this earth.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Why do we celebrate? What aspects of life are worthy of celebration? 	<p>Celebrate</p> <p>Worthy</p> <p>Special</p> <p>Life event</p> <p>Families</p> <p>Achievements</p> <p>Significance</p> <p>Birthdays</p>

<p>2</p> <p>Beliefs and Values</p>	<p>To understand that the journey through life is filled with wonder, challenges, broken hearts, extreme highs and lows, celebrations, special moments and memories that define our experience as a human. It is these events, planned or unexpected, that impact our travels and define our purpose.</p> <p>To know that baptism means to dip or immerse.</p> <p>To understand that baptism was used as a rite of washing with water as a sign of religious purification and blessing. It signifies purity or cleansing from sin and devotion to God.</p> <p>To know the story of baptism of Jesus the Lord marks the beginning of Jesus' ministry and confirms his identity as the Son of God.</p> <p>To know baptism is significant in that it represents the forgiveness and cleansing from sin that comes through faith in Jesus Christ. Baptism is the initiation ceremony into the Church and the Christian family. It is through Baptism that one becomes a member of Christ's body - the Church.</p> <p>To know the important features of the story are - the role of John the Baptist as a 'voice in the wilderness', the water, the voice of God, the dove.</p> <p>To understand that even though Jesus was without sin, He still wanted to be baptised. This is because Christians believe Jesus was baptised so that he could become like one of us. This shows his great humility. He set an example for us to follow. Jesus' baptism was also an opportunity to show his authority, as God confirmed he was his Son</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How do Christians mark 'turning points' on the journey of life? 	<p>Christian Journey Jesus Baptism John the Baptist Wilderness Water God Dove Humility Authority</p>
<p>3</p> <p>Living Religious Traditions</p>	<p>To know that a rite of passage is a ceremony or event marking an important stage in someone's life, especially birth, the transition from childhood to adulthood, marriage, and death.</p> <p>To understand that rites of passage in Christianity, such as baptisms, marriages and funerals, are held in local</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What rites of passage are considered an important part of Christian life? 	<p>Rites Christian Baptism Holy water Parents God parents</p>

churches. This important function of churches enables whole communities to be involved in these celebrations in the lives of Christians.

To know in a baptism Holy water is put on baptised people by a church leader as a symbol of being cleansed and made ready for a new life for God. Baptism is different for different types of Christians and some people are baptised as babies, while others chose to be baptised later in life.

To know for many Christians, baptism is an outward sign of something happening on the inside that is spiritual. The word for this is a sacrament: something ordinary in itself, but that has a sacred (special) meaning. In this case, the meaning is that someone has turned to Jesus and decided to follow Him. Baptism requires a person to publicly declare their faith in front of witnesses.

To understand that in the baptism the washing away of sin through the waters of baptism, the individual is made clean and receives God's forgiveness. Moving from death to life. What this means is leaving the old self behind and being born again, ready to start living in a way that pleases God.

To know when someone is baptised, the parents and Godparents make promises on their behalf. When the child is old enough, they may make their own promise to live as a Christian in a confirmation service. Churches that do not baptise infants may have a service of "dedication" or "thanksgiving", to say "thank you" to God for the child and to pray for the family.

To understand that A person may choose to be baptised once they have decided for themselves that they want to live as a Christian. This is known as **believers' baptism**.

Believers' baptism can be celebrated in a number of different ways. One way being that the person would be dipped right under the water, as Jesus was when he was baptised in the River Jordan. This could take place in a

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	<p>river, a church baptistry or even a swimming pool. At other times the baptism may take place around the font with the sign of the cross being made from water on the person's head.</p> <p>Symbols of Baptism:</p> <p>Water: Water is the primary symbol of baptism. John the Baptist used water (Mt 3:11; Mk 1:8a; Jn 1:33; 3:23), as did Jesus (Jn 3:22). Jesus is living water (Jn 4:10), and when Jesus died, the water that flowed from his pierced side serves as a wellspring of his life and grace (Jn 19:34). The usual method is infusion, for water to be poured over the head. Baptism can also be done by partial or full immersion. Water is a symbol of divine life, grace, new birth, growth, cleansing, washing away of sin and a start of a new life.</p> <p>Oil: This is used in many churches but not all. After the water has been poured, the individual is anointed with a special oil called sacred chrism, which represents healing, power and authority from God. .It is a symbol of becoming a member of the body of Christ and a share in eternal life.</p> <p>Baptismal garment. The baptismal garment is a white garment either worn from the beginning of the ritual or given after pouring or immersion. It is an outward sign of the person's new Christian identify. It also signifies that the individual has been clothed with Christ.</p> <p>Candle. The baptismal candle is lit from the Easter Candle. (Paschal candle.) The candle represents the risen Jesus, who is the light of the world (Jn 8:12). Jesus is the light that guides every baptised person. It also represents the flame of faith, which is to be kept burning brightly.</p> <p>Baptismal font.</p> <p>The baptismal font is a large basin, usually placed on top of a pillar or stand, but it may emanate from the floor. It is often found at the back of a church as it marks the beginning of someone's faith journey.</p>		
<p>4</p> <p>Search for Personal Meaning</p>	<p>To know a commitment a promise is a commitment by someone to do or not do something.</p> <p>To understand that they will need support and guidance when making life changes that may be difficult – marriage, graduation, funerals, christenings etc</p> <p>To know that new challenges, commitments and responsibilities they face when growing up will need the support from others – choosing colleges, university,</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What's worth celebrating? 	<p>Celebrating Commitment Promise Challenges Responsibilities Journey Guidance Support</p>

	<p>organising weddings, births, deaths, birthdays, moving away, jobs etc</p> <p>To understand that people often say 'life is like a journey' as life is a journey and at every step you'll be faced with choices that will determine the person you are when you reach your destination. If you constantly have the big picture in mind and take time to make the right decision instead of the easiest decision, you'll be able to look back and be proud of your journey.</p>		
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