

Springhill Catholic Primary School RE Newsletter

Together, we will do our best for Jesus.

Our new topic is Easter:



Through this topic, we will explore the account of Jesus' Resurrection and how it is still relevant for us in the 21st century.

In 2024, Easter Sunday is on 31st March. The Easter season lasts 50 days and finishes on Pentecost Sunday (19th May 2024). After 40 days, we celebrate the Ascension, which this year, will fall on Thursday 9th May 2024.

Easter is important because it reminds us that:

- Jesus fulfilled the promises of Scripture
- He conquered sin and death
- By dying on the cross, our sins are forgiven

Easter is a celebration of new life and the light of Christ returning to the world.

Our main themes in the Easter topic are different for each year group. We will learn:

- FS Jesus rose from the dead on Easter Sunday. Easter is the most important season and a time of joy.
- Y1 The Resurrection had an impact on the lives of the ordinary people who witnessed it.
- Y2 The account of Doubting Thomas show that people responded in different ways to the Resurrection.
- Y3 Jesus appeared to his disciples, making them witnesses to the Resurrection.
- **Y4** The account of the Road to Emmaus. Jesus ascended into heaven 40 days after the Resurrection.
- **Y5** The Church teaches and believes in eternal life, as shown in the Easter story.
- **Y6** The Resurrection is important because it is a reminder that death is not the end to life.



'The water that I will give them will become a spring of water within, welling up to eternal life.'

John 4:14

We will be exploring the meanings behind Easter through both our RE lessons and our daily Celebrations of the Word.

To help your children understand further, you may wish to read the following Gospel extracts with them at home:

- The Empty Tomb John 20:1-9
- Doubting Thomas John 20:24-29
- The Ascension Mark 16:19-20

