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# Springhill Catholic Primary School RE Newsletter

*Together, we will do our best for Jesus.*

## Our new topic is Creation:



### What is Creation?

Creation, in the Catholic faith, is the belief that God made everything in the universe from nothing, out of love. He created the world, the animals, and humans in His image. We believe that God's act of creation shows His power, wisdom and care for all life. Creation is the beginning of God's plan for humanity and we are called to care for the world as a gift from Him.

### The 7 Days of Creation:

#### Day 1 – Light and Darkness

God said, "Let there be light," and separated light from darkness, calling them day and night.

#### Day 2 – Sky and Waters

God created the sky to divide the waters above from the waters below. The sky was called heaven.

#### Day 3 – Land, Seas, and Vegetation

God gathered the waters below to form seas and dry land appeared. He then made the earth produce plants and trees bearing fruit and seeds.

#### Day 4 – Sun, Moon, and Stars

God created the sun to govern the day, the moon to govern the night and the stars to provide light and mark the seasons, days and years.

#### Day 5 – Sea Creatures and Birds

God filled the seas with living creatures and the sky with birds, blessing them to multiply and fill the waters and the skies.

#### Day 6 – Land Animals and Humans

God made animals to live on the land, then created humans (male and female) in His image, giving them dominion over all living things and instructing them to be fruitful and care for the earth.

#### Day 7 – Rest

God rested from all His work, blessing and sanctifying the seventh day as a day of rest.



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*"The earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters."*

**Genesis 1:2**

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

**FS** - God as creator of all and our response to the world He created.

**Y1** - We learn how to praise God for His many gifts and that psalms are prayers of praise.

**Y2** - God as creator and how He works through His people to protect His creation.

**Y3** - We are called to be part of God's creation through baptism and Jesus calls us just as he called his disciples.

**Y4** - We are all made in the image and likeness of God, as seen through the story of Genesis and how we are called to respect all similarities and differences.

**Y5** - How we become creators, which involves the two creation stories in Genesis. What it means to be the People of God, as expressed by St Paul and as expressed in the Beatitudes.

**Y6** - The call to be the 'People of God' and the need to be part of God's creation by overcoming disharmony, by upholding God's law. The Ten Commandments are also studied.

We will be exploring the meanings behind Creation 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 Bible extracts with them at home:

- **Isaiah 43:1-3**
- **Genesis 2:5-23**
- **Genesis 1:26-31**
- **Colossians 3:12-17**

