

Welcome and gathering

Welcome all the children to One Voice.

Ask the children what they are learning about in RE?



Children have the right to give their opinions freely on issues that affect them. Adults should listen and take children seriously.



Children have the right to share freely with others what they learn, think and feel, by talking, drawing, writing or in any other way unless it harms other people.

Introduce theme:

This week we are thinking about Easter

Easter is a special time when Christians remember the story of Jesus and celebrate hope, new life, and love. It tells how Jesus showed kindness to everyone, even when things were difficult, and how his friends discovered that he was alive again on Easter Sunday. Many people mark this happy time with church celebrations, bright colours, and symbols like eggs and spring flowers that remind us of new beginnings.

Thought/story/scripture

Share this Bible verse with the children

“He is not here; he has risen.” — Luke 24:6

Reflection

The Easter Story

Easter is a very special time for Christians because it tells the most important part of Jesus’ story. Jesus spent his life helping people, telling them that God loved them, and showing kindness wherever he went. Many people followed him because he made them feel safe, valued, and hopeful.

One day, something very sad happened — Jesus died, and his friends felt lost and heartbroken. They thought everything good had come to an end. For two days they cried, remembered his stories, and wondered what they would do without him.

But early on the third day, something amazing happened. Some of Jesus’ friends went to the place where he had been buried, and they found the stone rolled away. The tomb was empty. Then an angel told them the wonderful news: Jesus was alive again. Soon, Jesus’ friends saw him themselves — smiling, talking, and full of love, just as he had always been.

Their sadness turned into joy. They realised that Jesus’ love was stronger than anything, even death. That’s why Easter is a celebration of hope, new life, and the promise that light can shine again even after the darkest days.

Ask children to sit quietly for a few seconds and think about the reflection question

“What does the Easter story make you feel hopeful about?”

Allow them some time to add a response to the question, keep these for the reflection area and revisit them during reflection time on Friday.

Short prayer

Dear God,

Thank you for Easter and the hope it brings.

Thank you that Jesus shows us love, kindness, and new beginnings.

Help us to share that love with others today.

Amen

News

Playground

Some children are not looking after the equipment at playtime. We must remember to tidy up after ourselves. Just a reminder that the art equipment needs to go back to Miss Draycott's room after break.

Miss Saleem is in charge of the quiet area and would like to know what we could do to make it even better? Is there anything else that we could include? **Take ideas and pass them onto me please**

Easter Holidays

We finish for the Easter Break on Thursday

Enjoy time with your family and friends – play, talk, and make happy memories.

Take time to rest – holidays are for recharging your energy.

Try something new – a book, a game, a craft, or helping with something at home.

Be kind – look for little ways to help or brighten someone's day.

Stay safe – remind them about road safety, staying with trusted adults, and using devices sensibly.

Dates

2.4.26 – Easter Service

When we go into church for our Easter service, it's a special place where people come to think, pray, and celebrate. We show respect by using quiet voices, walking calmly, and listening carefully. This helps everyone enjoy the service and feel peaceful. When someone is speaking or reading, we look at them to show we're paying attention. And when it's time to sing or join in, we do our best. Being respectful helps us all remember the Easter story and enjoy being together as a school community.

Clock change

This weekend, the clocks changed. That means we move the time forward by one hour. We do this every spring so that we can have more daylight in the evenings. When the days start getting longer, it's nice to have extra light after school for playing outside, going for walks, or enjoying the sunshine. In autumn, we move the clocks back again so the mornings aren't too dark. Changing the clocks helps us make the most of the daylight at different times of the year.

Affirmation of the day

I am filled with hope, kindness, and new beginnings