



Year 6 Knowledge Organiser RE Autumn term 2



Key Vocabulary	
Old Testament	The first part of the Bible, written before the birth of Jesus
Prophecy	A prediction of what will happen in the future
Anointed	Especially chosen, dedicated to God
Incarnation	God became human in Jesus
Immanuel	God is with us
Messiah	The promised Saviour

Was Jesus the Messiah?

Powerful Knowledge

Christians believe Jesus is God in the flesh. They believe that his birth, life, death and resurrection were part of a longer plan by God to restore the relationship between humans and God.

The Old Testament talks about a 'rescuer' or 'anointed one' — a messiah. Some texts talk about what this 'messiah' would be like.

Christians believe that Jesus fulfilled these expectations, and that he is the Messiah. (Jewish people do not think Jesus is the Messiah.)

Christians see Jesus as their Saviour and this has an impact on how they celebrate Christmas.



Why do Christians believe Jesus is the son of God?

How do Christians put their beliefs into action at Christmas?

What I know already
Christians believe that God is Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. They believe the Father creates; he sends his Son to save his people; the Son sends his Holy Spirit to his followers. Jesus was Jewish and born in Bethlehem.

The idea of a 'messiah', or 'saviour', is important in Jewish culture, and was central to Jewish belief in the years that Jesus lived and taught. The land of Israel had been attacked and invaded since its creation 1,000 years previously. In 586 BCE the Jewish people were taken into exile in Babylon. Fifty years later they were allowed to return, but from then on, their land was continually under occupation by one foreign power or another. From 63 BCE, the Romans were the occupying power. The Jewish people hoped for a saviour, a messiah, who would vanquish their enemies and restore them to their homeland to live in peace under their own laws

Do you celebrate Christmas?
What do you think is important?



