

St Paul's CE Primary School – Collective Worship Long Term Plan

Worship – Year 2025-26

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Autumn	Week 1 01.09	Week 2 08.09	Week 3 15/09	Week 4 22/09	Week 5 29/09	Week 6 06/10	Week 7 13/10	Week 8 20/10	Week 1 03/11	Week 2 10/11	Week 3 17/11	Week 4 24/11	Week 5 01/12	Week 6 08/12	Week 7 15/12
		The Words of Jesus								Advent and Christmas					
	New beginnings	Joyfulness (Joy) I am the light of the world (John 8.12)	Courage (Peace) Blessed are the peacemakers (Matthew 5.1-10)	Humilty (Hope) This is how you should pray (Matthew 6. 9-13)	Trust (Peace) Do not be worried (Matthew 6. 9-13)	Togetherness (community) Do not judge others (Matthew 7.1-5)	Forgiveness, Forgive others (Matthew 18. 21-22)	Wisdom (Trust) A tree is known by the fruit it bears (Luke 6. 43-45)	Humilty (Dignity) Love one another (John 13.34-35)	Joyfulness (Hope) The coming of Jesus is foretold (Isaiah 9. 6)	Trust / Courage (Dignity) Zechariah and Elizabeth (Luke 1. 5-25)	Joyfulness (Joy) The angel announces good news to Mary. (Luke 1.26-38)	Trust (Peace) Mary visits Elizabeth (Luke 1. 39-45)	Togetherness (Community) The long journey to Bethlehem (Luke 2. 1-5)	Trust (wisdom) Jesus is born (Luke 2. 5-18)
	September 4 th - 5 th – Mawlid al-Nabi Muslims celebrate Prophet Muhammad's birthday today. They honor this day as they believe he is a messenger of God.		Education Sunday	International day of peace (21 st) Rosh Hashanah (22 nd to 24 th) These two Jewish holy days remember the time that the world was created. It marks the 10 Days of Awe that focuses on repenting and reflection. MacMillan Fairtrade Fortnight 22 nd – 5 th October	HARVEST 22 September October 2 – Navratri This ten-day Hindu festival celebrates the Goddess Durga and is a major crop season event. Each day a new goddess is worshiped and changing of Hindu scriptures occurs as well as a period of fasting.	Black History Month Y2 CLW World Mental Health Day – 10 th October 6 – 13 – Sukkot This 7-day holiday commemorates when Jews journeyed through the desert to the promised land.		Y5 CLW October 20 – Diwali This Hindu Festival of Lights symbolizes the fight of good over evil and its victory. It is celebrated by Sikhs, Hindus, Jains, and mostly Newar Buddhists.	Y6 CLW November 1 – All Saints' Day This day honors all holy men and women who the Catholic Church has canonized.	Remembrance – end of WW1 11 th Anti-Bullying Week Children in Need Inter Faith Week This is a week dedicated to celebrating religious diversity in the UK and encouraging positive interfaith relations.	UK parliament week Y3 CLW	November 30 – St. Andrew's Feast Day This day celebrates the patron saint of Romania, Ukraine, Barbados, Greece, Russia, and Scotland by remembering his accomplishments and canonization in the Catholic Church.	Advent eucharist	Performances Christmas Jumper Day 11 th	End of term worship / awards Hanukkah 14 th – 22 nd

Spring	Week 1 05/01	Week 2 12/01	Week 3 19/01	Week 4 26/01	Week 5 02/02	Week 6 09/02	Week 1 23/02	Week 2 02/03	Week 3 09/03	Week 4 16/03	Week 5 23/03
	Advent & Christmas cont...		People Jesus Meets Trust				Holy Week and Easter				
	Courage / Trust (Hope) The coming of the Magi (Matthew 2 1-12)	Courage / Trust (Hope) The escape into Egypt (Matthew 2 13-15)	Courage (Hope) Simeon and Anna (Luke 2. 22-32, 37-38)	Courage (Wisdom) The teachers in the Temple (Luke 2 41-50)	Forgiveness (Hope) John the Baptist (Matthew 3. 13-17)	Courage (Dignity) The tempter (Luke 4. 1-13)	Joyfulness (Joy) Jesus enters Jerusalem on a donkey (Matthew 21. 1-9)	Honesty (peace) Jesus clears the temple (Matthew 21. 12-13)	Togetherness (Community), Jesus and the last supper (Mark 14 17-25)	Togetherness (Community), Jesus is betrayed (Mark 14 32-46)	Forgiveness (Dignity) Jesus is crucified (Mark 15. 22-37)
	January 6 – Christian: Epiphany Celebrates the visit of the Magi to the baby Jesus.	Sunday 18 th – World Religion Day	Y4 CLW Conversion of St Paul 25 th January	Holocaust Memorial Day 27 th Chinese New Year		Y1 CLW Ash Wednesday Eucharist 18th Feb Shrove Tuesday 17 th Feb Safer Internet Day 10 th Random Acts of Kindness Day – in half term. 17 Feb March 18 – Islamic: Ramadan begins* A holy month of fasting, prayer, and reflection for Muslims.		World Book Day 1 March St David's Day March 4 – Hindu: Holi The festival of colors, celebrating the arrival of spring. This is one of the most known <u>Hinduism holy days</u> .	Y2 CLW	15 th March Mothering Sunday St Patrick's Day 17 th March 19 – Eid Al-Fitr Marks the end of Ramadan, celebrated with a feast and prayers. On one of the most important <u>Islamic holy days</u> .	Y6 CLW Celebrating Lent & Easter Goodness is stronger than evil Easter worship / end of term awards April 1-9 – Jewish: Passover* Celebrates the liberation of the Israelites from Egyptian slavery.

Summer	Week 1 13/04	Week 2 20/04	Week 3 27/04	Week 4 04/05	Week 5 11/05	Week 6 18/05	Week 1 01/06	Week 2 08/06	Week 3 15/06	Week 4 22/06	Week 5 29/06	Week 6 06/07	Week 7 13/07
	Holy Week and Easter cont...			People Jesus Meets			The parables of Jesus						
	Joyfulness (Joy) The risen Jesus meets Mary (John 20. 1-2, 11-18)	Trust (Wisdom) The risen Jesus meets Thomas (John 20. 24-29)	Trust (Hope) Jesus ascends into heaven (Luke 24 50-53)	Togetherness (community) Nathaniel (John 1. 43-50)	Humility (Dignity) The children (Matthew 19. 1-8)	(Joyfulness) Joy Martha and Mary (Luke 10. 38-42)	Courage (Wisdom), The wise and foolish builders (Matthew 7. 24-27)	Trust (wisdom) The Sower (Luke 8. 4-15)	Togetherness (community) The good Samaritan (Luke 10. 25-37)	Humility (dignity) The mustard seed (Matthew 13 31-32)	Trust (hope) The yeast (Matthew 13. 31-32)	Joyfulness (Joy) The lost sheep (Luke 15. 4-6)	
	April 14 – Sikh, Hindu: Vaisakhi Marks the Sikh New Year and celebrates the spring harvest.	St George's Day 23 rd	Y3 CLW	VE Day – 8 th May 1945	SATs Ascension Day 14th May	Y4 CLW 26 May – Eid Al-Adha Commemorates the willingness of Ibrahim to sacrifice his son. Pentecost 24th May	World Environment Day 5 th D-Day 6 th June	Y1 CLW		21 st June Fathers Day – EYs Y5 CLW	5 th July NHS birthday Transition Week	Rec Showcase	End of year eucharist Leavers End of year worship / awards

Green - Most days

Purple – Advent and Lent (Ash Wednesday to Easter)

Gold/White – Christmas and Easter celebration

Red – Pentecost and Saint's Days

The church calendar is made up of seasons that follow the life of Jesus. The church year begins in late November or early December with Advent, a time of preparation for Jesus' birth. In Christian churches one of four colours – purple, green, gold (or white) and red – referred to as 'liturgical colours', are used for altar linen, clergy robes and various hangings. The colour reflects the season, so that for instance in Advent purple is used, a colour of royalty because we are preparing to welcome the coming of a king. Purple is used again in Lent because it also symbolises suffering and pain.

At Christmas and Easter the colour changes to white or gold, both bright optimistic colours for festivals, times for joy and celebration. Between the festivals green cloths symbolise all living things, renewal and promise of new life. And finally, red is the colour of fire, used in churches to celebrate Pentecost and saints' days.

We hope this information is useful for teachers. However it is enough for young children simply to be aware that there is a cycle of different colours to celebrate times and seasons in the church year.