



Christmas

Why was the birth of Jesus Good News?

RE
Year 2
Autumn Term

Overview

In this unit, the pupils will hear the stories of how angels were involved in the first Christmas. They will investigate what angels look like and what they do. They will discuss why the birth of Jesus was good news for everyone, because He came to save people and mend their friendship with God.



Questions I wonder about
Christmas Good News:

Enquiry skills and concepts:

In this unit, the pupils will:

- **Interpret** artwork about angels
- **Reflect** on Nativity stories that mention angels
- **Empathise** with those who receive good and bad news

Topic Vocabulary

Angel Gabriel: *a spiritual being serving God as a messenger, for example telling Mary she was going to have a baby*

Bethlehem: *the town in Israel where Jesus was born*

Christmas: *the annual Christian festival celebrating Christ's birth, held on 25th December in the Western Church*

Good News: *something pleasant, fortunate, or positive*

shepherd: *someone who takes care of and guards a flock of sheep*

Religious vocabulary

celebration: *the action of celebrating an important day or event*

faith: *complete trust in someone or something*

God: *the creator and ruler of the World*

Jesus: *the Son of God*

Light of the World:
Jesus, the only one who can light up our lives and lead us out of darkness