

Key Content			
Year 2	Christianity	Easter	Term 4
Key Vocabulary		Knowledge	Key Events
Easter	The oldest and most important Christian festival.	Holy Week Holy Week is the week leading up to Easter. The Easter story is very important to Christians as it reminds them of Jesus' death and celebrates his resurrection. There are four important days during Holy Week: Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday	Palm Sunday marks the start of Holy Week. Christians remember when Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey and was welcomed by people waving palm leaves and placing them on the ground in front of him. Palm leaves symbolise goodness and well-being.
Christians	People who follow the religion of Christianity.	Many Christians go to church at Easter. Parts of the Bible are read and special hymns are sung. Hot cross buns are eaten. The cross reminds people that Jesus died on the cross. Many Christians send Easter cards. Simnel cake is eaten. It is a fruit cake with eleven marzipan balls on the top. These represent all of the disciples except Judas. Eggs are painted and chocolate eggs are given. The eggs symbolise new life and are the same shape as the rock that was rolled in front of Jesus' tomb .	On Maundy Thursday, the story of the Last Supper is remembered. 'Maundy' comes from a word that means command. At his last supper, Jesus told his disciples to love one another. Jesus knew that this would be his last supper and that one of his disciples (Judas), would betray him.
Jesus	The son of God.	Some of Jesus' friends went to visit his tomb on the Sunday after he died. They were surprised to find it empty. After his resurrection Jesus visited his disciples before going up to heaven to live with God. On Easter Sunday, Christians celebrate Jesus' resurrection. The resurrection of Jesus gives Christians the promise of eternal life in heaven. Good Friday Many Christians go to church at Easter. Parts of the Bible are read and special hymns are sung. Hot cross buns are eaten. The cross reminds people that Jesus died on the cross. Many Christians send Easter cards. Simnel cake is eaten. It is a fruit cake with eleven marzipan balls on the top. These represent all of the disciples except Judas. Eggs are painted and chocolate eggs are given. The eggs symbolise new life and are the same shape as the rock that was rolled in front of Jesus' tomb.	During the Last Supper, Jesus shared some bread and wine with his disciples. Jesus said the bread was his body and the wine was his blood. During Holy Communion, Christians re-enact this special moment from the Last Supper.
resurrection	When Jesus came back to life.		On Good Friday, Christians remember the day that Jesus was crucified. Leaders in Jerusalem were jealous that people listened to Jesus and so they had him crucified. Christians believe it is 'good', because Jesus showed great love and died for the sins of others. When he died, his body was put in a stone tomb.
disciples	The twelve followers of Jesus.		On Easter Sunday, Christians celebrate Jesus' resurrection. The resurrection of Jesus gives Christians the promise of eternal life in heaven.
symbolise	When something stands for something else.		
betray	To be unfaithful or break a promise to someone.		
Holy Communion	A special service in church, where Christians share bread and wine.		
crucified	Put to death on a cross.		
sins	Bad actions.		
tomb	A place cut into rock or underground, where the dead are buried.		
eternal	Lasting forever.	 	