Year 1 Term 2

RE: Incarnation (Christianity)

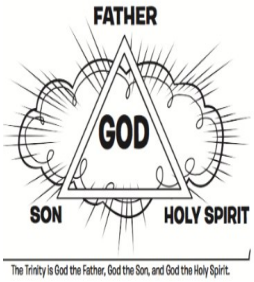
Why does Christians perform Nativity plays at Christmas?

What should we know?

That Christians believe that:

- **Advent** is the time for getting ready for **Jesus**' coming.
- **Jesus**' birth during the Christmas period should be **celebrated**.
- The **Nativity** story: The **Angel** Gabriel appeared to Mary, Mary and Joseph travelled to **Bethlehem** where baby **Jesus** was born in a **stable** and he was placed in a **manger**. Angel appeared to the **shepherds**. The **wise men** brought **gifts**.
- **Jesus** is **extraordinary** and He is **God** **incarnation**.
- Not only Christians who celebrate Christmas

Parables show why **Jesus** was worshipped as a king later on which can be found in the **Bible**.



Signs of **Advent**







Advent calendars to count down to the day Jesus was born

Advent **wreath** (a circle to show that God lasts forever)

Lighting four candles on Sundays leading up to Christmas and the fifth candle **symbolises** the birth of Jesus on Christmas Day

Making a **crib** scene as a reminder of the birth story

What should we be able to do?

Give an example about a gift that is special to you and explain how it felt when you received it.

Re-tell most of the **Nativity** story, including which **gifts** were given to **Jesus**.

Explain why **Jesus** is special to Christians and suggest a gift they might choose for Him.

What words should we be able to understand and be able to use?

Advent: The four weeks leading to Christmas

Jesus: A very important person for Christians; God in the flesh.

Nativity: The story of the birth of Jesus Christ.

Celebrated: To mark an important or happy day or event.

Angel: A messenger of God.

Bethlehem: A small town near Jerusalem.

Stable: A building where animals sheltered.

Manger: A long trough that animals eat from.

Crib: A baby's small bed or cot.

Shepherds: A person who looks after sheep.

Wise men: Three important men sent by King Herod.

Gifts: Frankincense, Myrrh and Gold given to Jesus.

Extraordinary: An extremely good or special quality.

God: The all-powerful and all-loving being that created the world and everything in it.

Incarnation: A person who embodies the flesh of God.

Bible: The holy book of Christianity; tells the story of God, Jesus and human beings.

Parable: It is a special story that has a meaning at the end (moral) to teach us something.

Wreath: A circle or leaves or flowers that used for decoration.