Religious Education

Authority & Personal Beliefs

What do we already know that can help us?

- The Christmas story - Angel focus:
- We know that 'Good news' is how the angels describe the baby Jesus because he would save people from their sins.

- We've explored some Christmas traditions e.g. carols and Nativity shows.



New knowledge

<u>What does the visit of the magi from the East teach Christians about Jesus?</u>

- Retell six main events from the Christmas story.
  1. Angel visits Mary. An angel tells Mary she will have a special baby.
  2. Journey to Bethlehem. Mary and Joseph travel to Bethlehem.
  3. Jesus is born. Jesusis born and laid in a manger because there is no room at the inn.
  4. Shepherds visit. An angel brings the shepherds good news. They visit baby Jesus.
  5. Magi visit. The magi (wise men) follow a star and bring gifts to Jesus.
  6. Herod hears the news. Herod is worried when he hears about a new king.

- Name some visitors to baby Jesus and say how they heard about him.
- Explain the words Incarnation, Messiah, Saviour and Son of God.
- Give examples of how Christians celebrate Christmas such as gifts, christingles, lights, giving to the poor.
- Describe why Christians believe Jesus is God made man and an important King.

Key vocabulary

Incarnation:
Christians believe God became human in Jesus.

Son of God:
A title Christians use for Jesus.

Messiah / Christ:
The special person Christians believe God promised to send.

Saviour:
Someone who rescues or saves; Christians believe Jesus saves people trom their sins

Magi:
The wise men who visited Jesus from the East.

Angel:
A messenger from God.

Christmas:
The Christian celebration of Jesus' birth.

Gifts:
The magi brought gifts to show Jesus was special and a king.