

Knowledge Organiser

Early Years

Domestic Church – Family

Topic 1: Myself

Key Words		
Word	Definition	
myself	A term to describe yourself.	
name	A word a person or animal is known as.	
Christian	A person who believes in God.	
First name	The name that comes first.	
Family name	A person's surname e.g. Miss Jenkinson.	
Class name	The name your class is known as e.g. EYFS, Y1, Y2	
precious	Something that is special.	
parent	The person who is responsible for you until you are 18	
God	A special spirit that we believe in.	
love	The feeling you get for special people.	
Loving parent	When your mum or dad sows they love you.	
prayer	Special words you say in your head or out loud when you want to talk to God.	

Big Question		
Why am I special to God?		
My first thoughts:		

Scripture

Isaiah 43: 1-2 God's Story 1 Psalm 131 God's Story 1

What will I learn?

- To be able to **talk about** their own feelings, experiences of being known and called by name.
- To be able to **recognise** some phrases from the Psalms which tell about God's love for them.

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Baptism/Confirmation – Belonging

Topic 2: Welcome

Key Words		
Word	Definition	
Welcome	To be pleased about and encourage or support something.	
Welcomed	To feel like you belong somewhere.	
Belong	To be in the right place.	
School	A place where you receive an education.	
Class	A group or team of people in a school.	
Baptism	A Christian ceremony in which a person has water poured on their head to be welcomed into the Christian community.	
Baptise	To make someone officially a member of the Christian Church in a service of Baptism.	
Water	A clear liquid without colour or taste.	
Candle	A stick shaped piece of wax with a wick piece of string in the middle of it.	
In the name of	Making the sign of the cross.	
Priest	A person, usually a man, who has been trained to perform religious duties in the Christian Church,	
White garment	A dress or clothes that are white.	
Godparents	People who are selected to look after the spiritual wellbeing of a child.	
Font	A large container of water inside a church that Holy water.	

Big Question How do we welcome someone to Jesus' family? My first thoughts:

Scripture

Colossians 3:12

What will I learn?

- To begin to **talk about** their own experiences and feelings of being welcomed.
- To begin to say what they wonder about how they can make others feel welcome.
- To begin to **recognise** some religious signs and symbols used in baptism. Some children will begin
- •To **use** some religious words and phrases from the Rite of Baptism.



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Advent/Christmas - Loving

Topic 3: Birthday

Key Words		
Word	Definition	
birthday	The day in each year which is the same date as the	
	one on which you were born.	
waiting	Means delaying or preparing for something until	
	you are ready.	
wreath	An arrangement of flowers and leaves, especially	
	in the shape of a circle.	
celebrate	To show a day or an event is important you doing	
	something special.	
Christmas	The day Christians celebrate the birth of Jesus.	
Advent	The four weeks before Christmas.	
Jesus	The son of God.	
Mary	The mother of Jesus.	
Joseph	The man who brought up Jesus as his son.	
swaddling clothes	To wrap up a baby tightly in a piece of cloth.	
manger	A box that cows and horses eat from.	
crib	A small bed for a baby.	
shepherds	People who look after sheep.	
wise men	Men who studies the stars.	

Big Question

Why do we celebrate Jesus' birthday?

My first thoughts:

Scripture

Luke 2: 8-20 - God's Story 2 page 59 Luke 2: 4-7 God's Story 2 page 58 God's Story 1 pages 24-25, 26-27 (teachers' notes pages 46-47) Matthew 2: 1-12 - God's Story 2 page 60

What will I learn?

- To begin to **talk about** their own feelings as they wait for a birthday.
- To begin to **talk about** their own experience of celebrating a birthday.
- To begin to wonder at the joy of birthdays.
- To **begin to recognise** the Christmas story.
- To **begin to recognise** that the Advent Wreath, the crib and other signs indicate the approach of Christmas.
- To **begin to use and develop** a vocabulary of religious words and phrases.