



St. Basil's Catholic Primary School
'Come and See' Religious Education Programme



Judaism week

Newsletter for families
9th-13th October 2023



Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

During our special themed week, our children will have the opportunity to learn about the religion of Judaism and how Jewish people live as a family and worship. Each year group has a particular focus, which aims to promote an understanding and appreciation of a way of life, as well as faith practice.

All of the children will have the opportunity to take part in a variety of interesting tasks. These are planned with the utmost care and thought to ensure that the children enjoy their learning experience and develop their knowledge of and respect for another faith. We are also lucky to be welcoming our Jewish visitor, Nashwa Van Flute, into school on Friday. Nashwa will be leading some fun workshops for the children to support their learning this week.

From our experience, we know that our children love this aspect of our Religious Education Curriculum, whilst at the same time, acquiring valuable skills and understanding. The following page provides an overview of the themes which will be covered in the different year groups. Please do ask the children to share what they have been learning about in class with you. **We hope you enjoy learning from them!**

Many thanks for your support.

Mrs K. Dooley

R.E. Co-ordinator

Reception

The children will learn that there are special days celebrated by Jewish people, including 'Hanukkah' the feast of lights.



Year One



The children will hear special stories about Abraham and Moses, who were leaders of the Jewish people. They will focus on how God led the Jewish people.

Year Two

The children will learn and respect that there are special days in the Jewish religion and that Saturday is God's special day. They will hear how the family gather for 'Shabbat' and share a special meal.



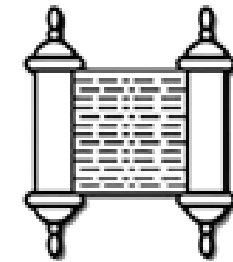


Year Three

The children will find out about special places for worship in the Jewish religion. They will learn about the importance of the synagogue.

Year Four

The children will learn about the Torah; they will respect the importance of the Torah (holy book) and appreciate the guidance it provides for Jewish people.



Year Five



The children will learn and respect the different beliefs and festivals in the Jewish faith. They will understand that at the celebration of Pesach (Passover), God showed how he cared for his people and that Jewish people remember this each time they share in their special Pesach meal.

Year Six

The children will further their understanding of the belonging and values in the Jewish faith. They will learn that the celebration of Yom Kippur symbolises making a new start and that the Jewish people prepare for the opportunity to make up for the wrong that they have done.

