The Way, The Truth and The Life

Year 1: Autumn 2

Our R.E. Topic this half term is '**Mary, Mother of God**'.
Through this topic your child will have the opportunity to:

- Know that God sent the Angel Gabriel with a message to Mary and why this is important.
- Know that God asked Mary to be the mother of His son and reflect on her response.
- Hear about Mary's visit to her cousin, Elizabeth and reflect on their good news.
- Reflect on how we can prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus.
- Know that Mary is our mother in heaven and that she is looking after us.

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The children will discuss types of messages they send. They will hear about how God sent a very important message.
We will also look closely at pictures and statues of Mary.

Mary, Mother of God



To hear about Mary's visit to her cousin, Elizabeth and reflect on their good news.

The children will share exciting news.
We will be acting and producing storyboards of the meeting between Elizabeth and Mary.

Reflect on how we can prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus

We will look at an Advent wreath and learn about the preparations we make for the birth of Jesus. We will think about how people from other countries celebrate this.
The children will make an advent promise for each week and celebrate the promises with a weekly Advent prayer.

To know that Mary is our mother in heaven and that she is looking after us.

The children will think about the people who love and care for them. We will be talking about how we can ask Mary for help through prayer.

To know the story of the birth of Jesus and Mary's Role in it

We will think about preparing for a baby. The children will hear how Mary and Joseph travelled to Bethlehem and how Jesus was born there. We will think about the feelings of the Shepherds in the story.