St Andrew's C of E Maghull

Knowledge Organiser

Year 6 – Autumn 2 – RE - How do Christians prepare for Christmas?



Knowledge:

I know that Advent is a time when the church focusses on the second coming of Christ
I know that different denominations within Christianity hold differing beliefs about the importance and status of Mary
I know the themes of advent tell the 'big story' of God's salvation plan
I know that Christians believe that Jesus is the promised Messiah but Jewish people do not
I know what a prophet is
I know some of the prophets names (Isaiah, Micah, Amos, Jeremiah, Elijah, Elisha)
I know how Jesus fulfilled the prophecies
I know the story of John the Baptist and how he was a prophet
I know how advent is similar and different to different seasons in church
I know what each aspect of the advent wreath represents
I know why Mary is an important part of the Advent

Vocabulary:

Advent – meaning to prepare. This period of time marks the beginning of preparations for Christmas
Prophet – someone who foretells the future
Prophecy – a prediction for the future made by a Prophet
John the Baptist – A Christian prophet who baptised Jesus and prepared the world for Jesus's arrival
Messiah – A Saviour for the Jewish race
Annunciation – An announcement of the coming of the Messiah / Jesus
Incarnation – A person who embodies God
Mary – Jesus's mother







Lesson Sequence:

Lesson 1: I understand that Advent is a time when the Church focuses prayer on the second coming of Christ

Lesson 2: I understand the Christian concept of the Prophets and how they relate to Advent

Lesson 3: I understand that John the Baptist was a special person in Christian life

Lesson 4: I can empathise with the character of Mary

Lesson 5: I can explain the significance of signs and symbols related to Advent and Christmas

Lesson 6: I can write a letter to explain how Christians celebrate Advent