Queensway School- Knowledge Organiser



First Easter

Key Words

Shrove Tuesday – known as Pancake Day. This was the day when fats and other ingredients in the house were used up before the period of Lent. This meant there were no foods left in the house that Christians shouldn't eat during lent.

Lent- this begins 40 days before Easter (not including Sundays). It ends on the night before Easter Sunday. People give something they enjoy up for lent to help them think about when Jesus went into the desert tor pray for 40 days before the events of Easter.

Palm Sunday - In Christianity, Palm Sunday is the first day of Holy Week and the Sunday before Easter. Palm Sunday commemorates Jesus Christ's successful entry to Jerusalem.

Good Friday- this is the day that Jesus was crucified. It is called 'good' because Christians believe that this was when they had a second chance to be free of their sins.

Crucifixion - Crucifixion was a way to execute (kill) someone, usually because they had committed a crime. It was used as a capital punishment by the government of Rome. A prisoner was beaten with whips and made to carry their own cross. They were either tied or nailed to the cross.

Resurrection - For Christians, the resurrection is the belief that Jesus came back to life three days after he died on the cross.

Betrayal - A person breaks the trust and faith of others that trust them.

Disciples – A who gives full loyalty and support to another.

Symbol - Something that stands for something else.

Overview

This term, we will be learning about the first ever Easter story and how the annual festival originated. We learn about why this festival is so important to Christians and how they celebrate to remember the events as told in the Bible.

We will also learn to identify any symbols that may be used/ seen around this and understand their meaning.

What happened at the first Easter?

In the Bible, the first Easter happened when Jesus died on the cross. It tells the story of what happened in the lead up to his crucifixion and what happened afterwards. It is the most important event in the Christian calendar out of the entire year.



Symbols



These are all signs of new life. We see the Spring bring new life after the Winter and new growth in nature bursts open all around us. Christians believe that Jesus died on the cross for people who believe in him. He took that person's sins away and gave them a second chance- a new life.