

PRIOR KNOWLEDGE:

Christians are followers of Jesus, the saviour of the world. He died at Easter but came back to life. Jesus told parables to teach about God. Christians pray to God and worship him in different ways. The Holy Spirit reminds Christians God is always with them.

Three things in one, or in unity

- A group of three together
- A distinctively Christian way of thinking about God as three 'persons': Father, Son and Holy Spirit

KEY VOCABULARY:

Trinity tri- unity or three in one
Holy

Symbol

Creed

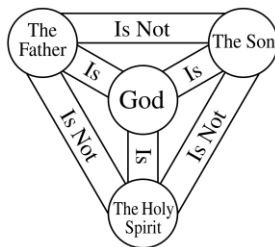
Atheist – belief that there is no God.

Agnostic – one who is not sure or who thinks it is not possible to prove there is a God.

Mystery – A mystery is something that is difficult or impossible to understand or explain.

How do Christians try to capture the mystery of God as Trinity?

Year 4
Autumn 2



Enquiry Focus:

ENGAGE with the idea of God as a mystery.

ENQUIRE into the Christian mystery of God as Trinity.

EXPLORE Christian ideas of Trinity in (i) Biblical Narrative.

EXPLORE how Christians express belief in the Trinity in (ii) Church Practice.

EXPLORE how belief in the Trinity affects (iii) Christian Living

EXPRESS your RE learning so it can be shared with others.

CONTEXT:

Christians believe that God is revealed to them in three ways as God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit – and yet remains one God. Whilst Christianity is one of many faiths that believe in one God (monotheists), this belief in God as 'TRINITY' is a distinctive feature, and marks a real theological difference from, for example, Judaism and Islam.

STICKY KNOWLEDGE:

Explain how does the story of Jesus' baptism remind Christians about the Trinity?

Explain how do Christians try to capture the mystery of God as Trinity?

Know that the cross is a sign of the Trinity, that hymns sung in churches also represents and highlights God as three in one.

SKILLS:

- Reflect on ideas
- Discuss as a group
- Express ideas through art work
- *Explore biblical texts*