

UNIT J – YEAR 2

PENTECOST

ABOUT THE UNIT

This unit is designed to develop the children's knowledge and understanding of the story of Pentecost and of the activity and presence of the Holy Spirit. The unit also focuses on the way Pentecost is celebrated in the Church and Confirmation being the Sacrament of the Holy Spirit.

WHERE THE UNIT FITS IN

This unit builds on previous learning in Year 1 about the story of Pentecost.

PRIOR LEARNING

It would be helpful if children have:

- some knowledge of the story of Pentecost
- experience of prayer to the Holy Spirit.

SKILLS

Group discussion, thinking, brainstorming, empathetic writing, interpreting symbols.

VOCABULARY

Pentecost, Apostles, Holy Spirit, Holy Trinity, Confirmation, Sacrament, Oil of Baptism, Oil of Chrism.

ASSESSMENT

At the end of this unit:

Most children will know the story of Pentecost and understand that the Holy Spirit was the promised gift of Jesus. Recognise the role of the Holy Spirit in the lives of Christians today. Recognise that Confirmation is a celebration of the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Less able children will know the story of Pentecost and reflect upon how the Holy Spirit can help Christians today.

More able children will have a greater understanding of how and why the disciples changed through the gift of the Holy Spirit. Have a greater understanding of the role of the Holy Spirit in people's lives today. Identify the Oil of Chrism as a sign of the presence and activity of the Holy Spirit.

A.T.1	A.T.2
2a	2a
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2c	2c
	2d
1a	1b
1b	1d
3a	3a
3b	3b
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	3d

PROGRAMME OF STUDY	TEACHING STRATEGIES	LEARNING OUTCOMES	FURTHER DEVELOPMENT
<p>C5 Become familiar with signs and symbols used by the Church.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revise work on Baptism, recall the anointing with the Oil of Baptism as protecting the person being welcomed into God's family. Explain that the anointing with the Oil of Chrism in Confirmation shows the giving of the Holy Spirit to the person being Confirmed. • Children to hear and learn the words of anointing at Confirmation, "Be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit." • What does the word sealed mean? • What does it tell us about the presence of the Holy Spirit in the lives of Christians today? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Know that Confirmation is the gift of the Holy Spirit. • Understand that this is the gift of God. 	

RELATED SCRIPTURE

Genesis 9 – The Promise God made to Noah

Acts 2: 1-13 – The Story of the Coming of the Holy Spirit

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

- Prayers and hymns to the Holy Spirit.
- Pray for people who are to be confirmed.

OTHER LINKS

Some school-parish links.

Art Links: to explore the colours and symbols of Pentecost. You could do colour mixing to explore red as the colour of Pentecost.

Dance Links: To explore the Story of Pentecost.

EVALUATION

What went well?

Which areas of planning need to be developed/adapted next time?

What needs to be revisited/developed in a later unit?