**End of Phase Christianity Core knowledge: what do we want pupils to know?**

**By the end of EYFS**, pupils will know that for Christians God is a Very Important Person. That God has a son called Jesus who he gave as a very special gift to the world. Pupils will hear stories about Jesus and begin to build an understanding that he was special, through the stories of his birth and death. Pupils will learn that Christians believe everyone is precious to God and so is the world he created.

**By the end of KS1**, pupils will have learnt that Christians pray and worship this God because they believe he is great and that they are part of his family. They will learn more in depth about who Jesus was, that he was a Saviour and Rescuer. They will encounter his parables which teach more about God and learn about his life and death. The Holy Spirit is introduced as an invisible friend to help Christians copy how Jesus lived and become more like him.

**By the end of LKS2**, pupils learn more about the significance of Jesus. That he was a peacemaker who showed love to all. That Christians want to follow him as their King and how they do this. They will learn about the concept of sin and importance of the symbol of the cross as a sign of both commitment and sacrifice. Their understanding of the Holy Spirit is enhanced as a giver of strength and this is explored further through the task for Christians of spreading the message of Jesus around the world.

**By the end of UKS2**, pupils delve deeply into the stories of the gospel as a source for discovering who Christians believe Jesus was. They encounter more of his teachings, including his I am sayings and what he said about himself. The sacrifice of Jesus as God incarnate – both human and divine – is explored in the context of a loving and forgiving God. Pupils will examine Christian belief in the resurrection and the afterlife and understand that for Christians thanksgiving for life and all God gives is a duty.