

Year 2 - Summer 1 - What is the 'good news' Christians believe Jesus brings?



What should I already know?

- Christians believe God came to Earth as Jesus. The nativity story and Jesus' birth is celebrated at Christmas.
- Christians believe Jesus was crucified and was resurrected. His resurrection is celebrated at Easter.
- There are many stories about Jesus and his life, told in the Bible.
- A Church is the place of worship for Christians.

Key knowledge

- Christians believe that Jesus chose 12 ordinary men to be his disciples.
- There are lots of stories in the Bible that are part of the Gospel of Jesus.

Good news: Jesus welcomed everyone!

• Christians believe that Jesus chose Matthew, the tax-collector, showing that he was a friend to those left out by other people.



Good news: Forgive and you will be forgiven!

Christians believe that Jesus teaches his followers that God forgives them, but they need to forgive others too.



Good news: God can give you peace!

• Christians believe that Jesus promises his followers peace.





Key Vocabulary and definitions

Vocabulary	Definition
Charity	Helping people who need it by giving things like money, food or time, without expecting anything in return.
Community	A group of people who all share something in common, like an interest, religion, hobby or where they live.
Disciple	A follower of Jesus.
Forgiveness	The choice somebody makes to forgive somebody else and let go of anger towards them.
Friendship	The relationship between friends
Gospel	The good news about Jesus and God's love.
Peace	To be calm and live without being frightened or worried.
Tax-collector	Someone whose job it is to collect money (taxes) for the government.

Churches are buildings that help people to feel part of a community (to be friendly), to be able to forgive others and to be forgiven, and to find peace.



St Mary Magdalen Church is one of the churches in our local community.

