



Jerry Clay Academy  
Subject Unit Overview

Subject: RE Year Group: 1 Term: Autumn  
"What makes some places sacred?"

**Core Learning of This Unit:**

- Talk about how the words 'sacred' and 'holy' are used and what makes some places and things special, sacred or holy
- Talk about why it is important to show respect for other people's precious or sacred belongings (including the importance of having clean hands or dressing in certain ways).
- Explore the main features of places of worship in Christianity and at least one other religion
- Find out how the place of worship is used and talk to some Christians, Muslims about how and why it is important in their lives.
- Notice similarities and differences between places of worship and how they are used.

**Prior Learning:**

- Children able to explain what is special to them
- Children able to recognise some key religions
- Children recognise that people have different religions and beliefs to them
- Children recognise some key religious buildings – may be just a church at this stage for some

**National Curriculum**

**Statements:** By the end of KS1 pupils should have been taught to:

- Retell and suggest meanings to some religious and moral stories, exploring and discussing sacred writings and sources of wisdom and recognising the traditions from which they come.
- Observe and recount different ways of expressing identity and belonging, responding sensitively for themselves.
- Find out about and respond with ideas to examples of co-operation between people who are different.
- Recognise some different symbols and actions which express a community's way of life, appreciating some similarities between communities.
- Notice and respond sensitively to some similarities between different religions and worldviews.
- Find out about questions of right and wrong and begin to express their ideas and opinions in response.

**Key Vocabulary:**

Church  
Altar  
Cross  
Crucifix  
Font  
Lectern  
Candles  
  
Synagogue  
Ark  
Ner Tamid  
Torah scroll  
tzitzit (tassels)  
tefillin  
tallit (prayer shawl)  
kippah (skullcap)  
  
wudu  
prayer mat  
prayer beads  
mihrab

**Significant People**

- Allah
- Prophet Muhammad
- God
- Jesus
- Imam / Vicar / Priest