

**RE – WHY IS EASTER
IMPORTANT TO
CHRISTIANS?**

What is Easter, how and why do we celebrate it?

We get the
Easter
holidays at
school.

We get to hunt
for chocolate
eggs with a
basket.

The Easter
bunny comes.

My family
come for a
roast dinner.

It is a
celebration for
Christian
people.

Signs of Spring and the Easter Story



Lambs and baby chicks are a sign that Spring is coming.

A sign of Spring is colourful flowers like daffodils

Peter didn't use his kindness value

The last supper is called that because it is Jesus' last meal.

Betrayed is when someone lets you down.



Heaven and what we think it is like



Jesus went to heaven.

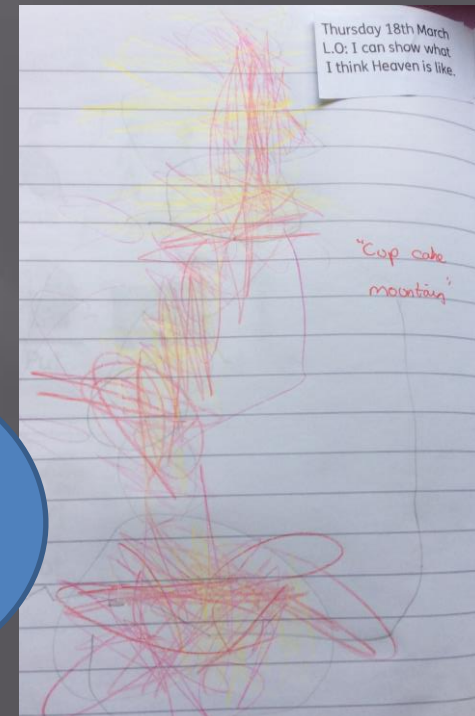
I think heaven is a place with lots of chocolate and fudge

I think my mummy and daddy will go to heaven.



When you die you go to heaven if you are good.

Christians Aspire to go to heaven by living a good life.



Symbols of Easter and how it is celebrated.

A palm cross reminds everyone of when Jesus came to Jerusalem on a donkey.



The cross on a hot cross bun reminds people that Jesus died on the cross on Good Friday.



Traditionally, people didn't have chocolate eggs but instead decorated real egg shells.



Re-capping and sequencing the Easter Story

The Easter Story

Put the cards in order.



Why is it called Good Friday if Jesus died?

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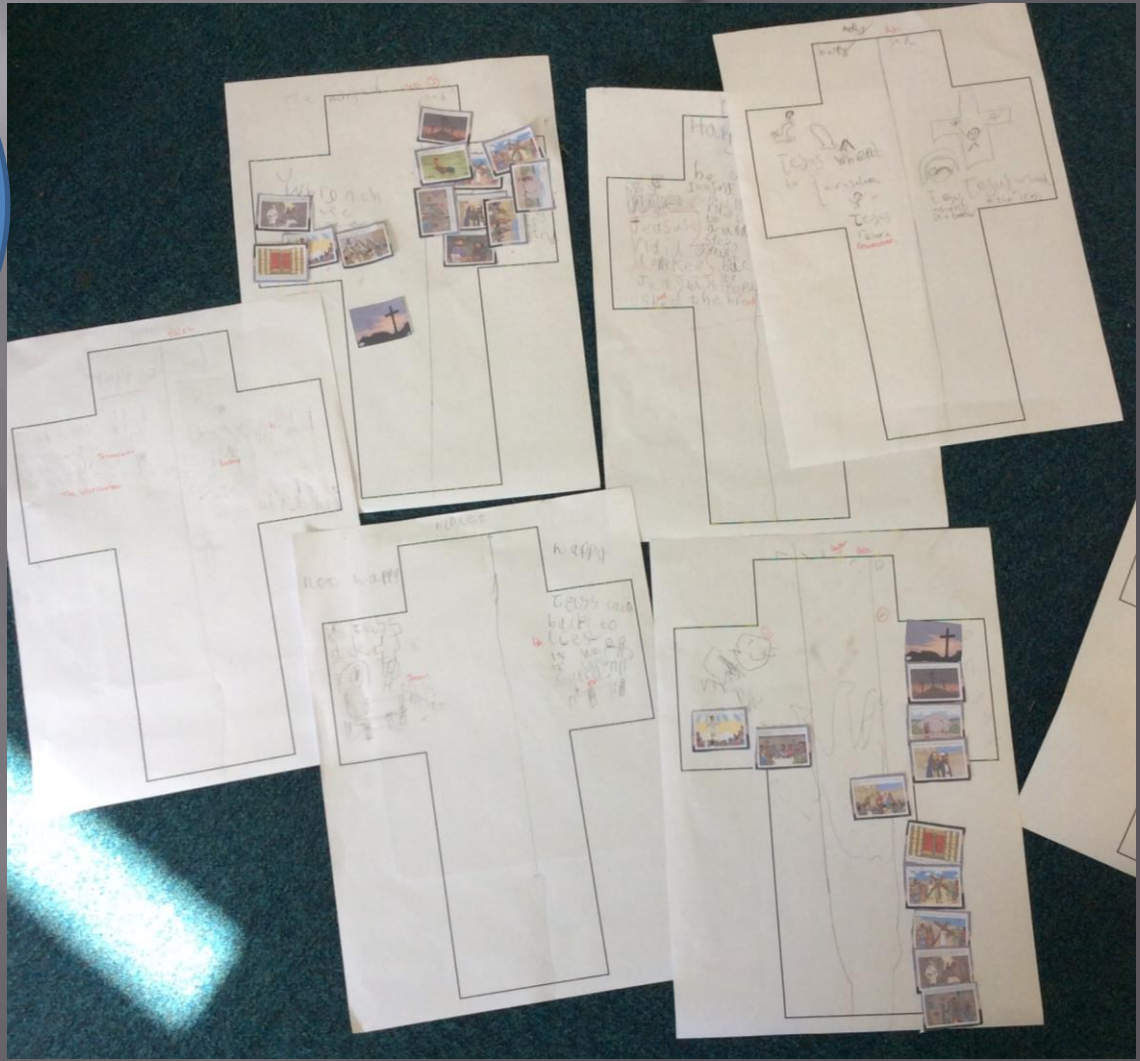
We then researched this and discovered it is called 'Good Friday' because something good came from it – the resurrection of Jesus.

The egg we decorated last week is the empty tomb when Jesus wasn't there anymore.

Deciding what was 'happy' and what parts were 'sad' in the Easter Story.

The Last Supper is hard because it is his last meal which is sad but he is smiling with his friends so he's happy but then he said someone betrayed him. Hmm..

It's sad his body wasn't in the tomb but then he appeared to his friends so that's kind of happy.



What we already know:

- How and why Christian people celebrate Christmas.
- Not all religions believe in the same God: Muslim people believe in Allah.

**Our Endpoint**

A piece of artwork showing the 'happy' and 'sad' elements of the Easter story.

Forever Facts

I know why Christian people celebrate Easter - to remember Jesus being resurrected.

I know what Christian people believe about Heaven - that God will be happy to see you and there are no tears there.

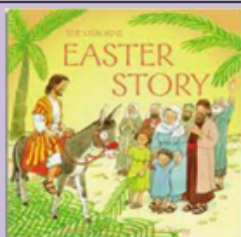
I know that people celebrate Easter in a range of ways including: decorating eggs, eating chocolate Easter eggs and creating palm crosses.

Skills

- I can talk about why Easter is important to Christians.

Culture Capital

- Understanding why we celebrate the things that we do in this culture.

Exciting books**Subject Specific Vocabulary**

Salvation	God 'saving' humans from harm by dying on the cross.
Incarnation	God came to earth in Jesus' body.
Bible	The Christian holy book.
Resurrection	Jesus coming back to life from the dead.
Heaven	The place where God lives and where good people go when they die.
Holy Week	The week before Easter, starting on Palm Sunday.