YEAR 1/2 AUTUMN 2 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION VALUING NEW LIFE Concept: Symbolism

WHAT SHOULD I ALREADY KNOW?

- I have taken part in a nativity play and heard the story of the birth of Jesus
- I have heard how some churches celebrate the birth of Jesus and their Christmas events and activities.
- If my family celebrates Christmas, I can talk about what we do and compare this to other families.



Christians believe that Jesus was a special baby because he was God's Son.	Mary, Joseph, the shepherds and Wise Men knew Jesus was a special baby.
In Luke's Gospel, the shepherds come to worship and praise the newborn child, following the announcement from the angels.	The Wise Men's gifts are a sign of holiness and royalty – they are a sign that the baby is a king.
At Christmas, Christians show they believe Jesus is special baby by celebrating, worshipping, sending cards with a Christian message and giving money and help to people who need it.	WEA

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Identify stories symbols, and other visual forms of expression of significance to faith communities and describe how they are used.



Link stories, symbols and other visual forms of expression to faith communities making clear links with important beliefs



Nativity	the process or circumstances of
	being born
Jesus	Founder of Christianity, born in
	Bethlehem and brought up in
Jesus	Nazareth as a Jew. He is
Christ	believed by Christians to be the
	Son of God.
Jesus of	
Nazareth	
Special	different from what is normal or
	usual









AVING CONCEPTS

Reflect

Identify what they value and show how they might express this symbolically