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The Youth Net is a Stafford based Christian charity and exists to:

- Support and resource churches in their delivery of excellent children's, youth and schools work
- Support and resource schools in their delivery of an excellent RE and SMSC curriculum
- Network, encourage and equip children's, youth and schools workers
- Deliver excellent children's, youth and schools work
- Support children and young people to flourish spiritually, emotionally, educationally and socially

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The Youth Net can lead Christmas workshops for EY/KS1 and KS2.

The workshops for EY/KS1 are 60 mins long and include storytelling, learning through play, craft and a book to take home. We have a 2-year rolling programme of Christmas workshops, using Bible Society material.

The workshops for KS2 are 90 mins long and include games, craft, challenges, group work, storytelling and reflection. We have a 4-year rolling programme, with 2 lively and energetic events, and 2 which are more reflective.



The Greatest Journey

The Greatest Journey is a workshop for Key Stage 1 pupils, using The Greatest Journey from the Bible Society.

The children explore the Christmas story through games, videos, drama, play and craft. Each child can take home their own copy of The Greatest Journey at the end of the event.

The workshop lasts 1 hour and is suitable for children from all faith and belief backgrounds. The cost of this workshop is £1 per child.



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Well Good Nativity



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The Well Good Nativity is a workshop for Key Stage 1 pupils, using The Well Good News of Christmas from the Bible Society.

The children explore the Christmas story through games, videos, drama, play and craft. Each child can take home their own copy of The Well Good News of Christmas at the end of the event.

The workshop lasts 1 hour and is suitable for children from all faith and belief backgrounds. The cost of this workshop is £1 per child.



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CHRISTMAS REFLECTIONS



What feelings did Mary and Joseph experience in the Christmas story?

What makes us feel wonder, disappointment, trust, welcome?



Christmas Reflections is a workshop for Key Stage 2 pupils. It helps the children learn about the Christmas Story whilst also exploring some important aspects around relationships and feelings.

Workshops last 90 minutes and are suitable for children from all faith and belief backgrounds. The workshop costs £20 per class.

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Christmas Explorers



How do modern
Christmas celebrations
link with the Christian
Christmas story?



Christmas Explorers gives KS2 pupils the chance to look at the Christmas story and associated traditions in creative ways; through drama sketches, discussion, craft, games, reflection time, quizzes and film clips.

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Journey to Christmas



Who was part of the Christmas story?

And were they curious, critical, confused or certain about Jesus?



Journey to Christmas is a workshop for Key Stage 2 pupils. The children will travel through the events leading to Christmas. As they explore the story, the children will be asked to consider special "Wonder Questions" to help them think about their own response to the story.

Workshops last 90 minutes and are suitable for children from all faith and belief backgrounds.

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INVESTIGATE CHRISTMAS

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What really happened at
the first Christmas?

And how did all these
people find themselves in
the same story?



Investigate Christmas is a workshop for Key Stage 2 pupils. The children become Christmas Detectives and explore the Christmas story by deciphering secret messages, analysing evidence, winning challenges, creating case files and building a nativity scene in teams.

Workshops last 90 minutes and are suitable for children from all faith and belief backgrounds. Workshops cost £20 per class.

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The Youth Net can lead regular or one-off collective worship.

We have an extensive collection of collective worship plans on a variety of topics and values; and our staff have many years of experience leading collective worship with pupils of all ages.

Our Collective Worship delivery is of a broadly Christian character, but is inclusive of children from all faith and belief backgrounds.



In 2017, The Youth Net worked with Staffordshire SACRE and Entrust to develop an RE Conference called Explore, Engage, Reflect.

We are pleased to offer the Christianity: Explore, Engage, Reflect conference for students.

The conference gives pupils the opportunity to explore key elements of Christianity, such as the Bible, prayer, worship, church, rites of passage and examples of Christian faith in action.



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Christianity

Explore Engage Reflect

What do Christians believe and how do they live out their faith in day to day life?
Explore key aspects of Christianity through interactive displays and Q&A time with Christians:

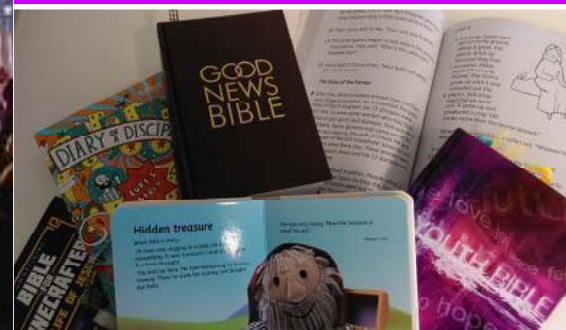
- ◆ Church
- ◆ Bible
- ◆ Rites of Passage
- ◆ Worship
- ◆ Prayer
- ◆ Christian Lives

Christianity: Explore, Engage, Reflect is suitable for KS1-KS5 pupils and lasts half a day. The conference starts with an overview of Christianity, before the pupils split into small groups to engage with each zone. It ends with a Q&A and evaluation. There is also the opportunity for students to create an e-book and upload it to the Virtual Classroom via their own iPads. The workshops cost £60 per half day.

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Easter



The Youth Net can lead Easter workshops for EY/KS1 and KS2.

The workshops for EY/KS1 are 60 mins long and include storytelling, learning through play, craft and a book to take home. We have a 2-year rolling programme of Easter workshops, using Bible Society material.

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The Easter Story



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The Easter Story is a workshop for Key Stage 1 pupils, using The Super Cool Story of Jesus from the Bible Society.

The children explore the Easter story through games, videos, drama, play and craft. Each child can take home their own copy of The Super Cool Story of Jesus at the end of the event.

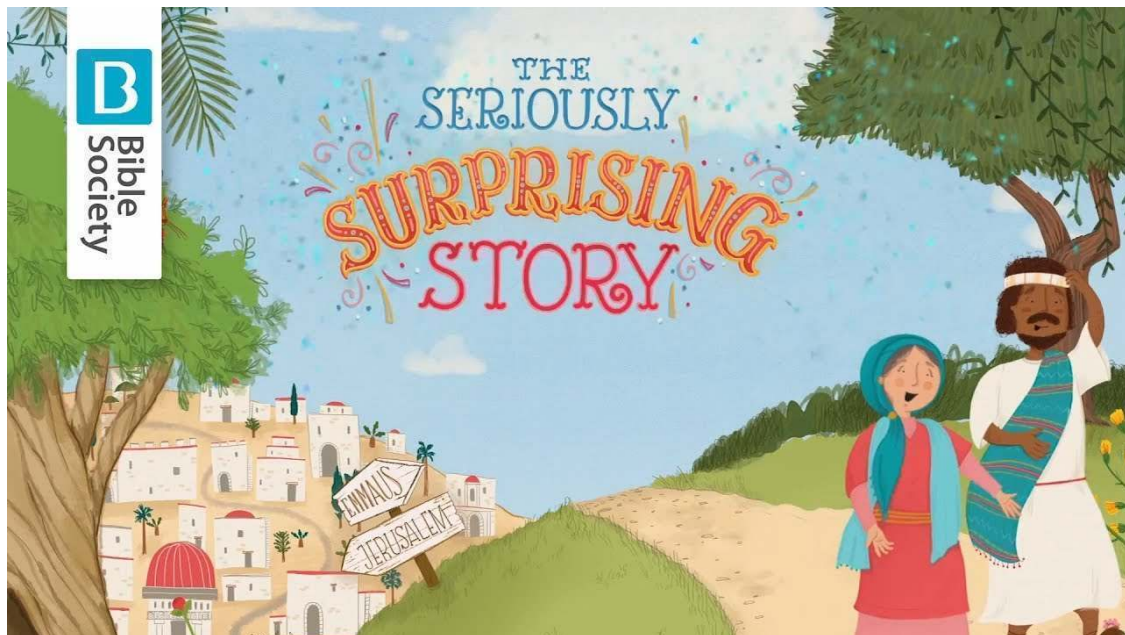
The workshop lasts 1 hour and is suitable for children from all faith and belief backgrounds. The cost of this workshop is £1 per child in your class.



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The Seriously Surprising Story

The Seriously Surprising Story is a workshop for KS1 pupils, using The Seriously Surprising Story from the Bible Society.

The children explore the Easter story through games, videos, drama, play and craft. Each child can take home their own copy of The Seriously Surprising Story at the end of the event.

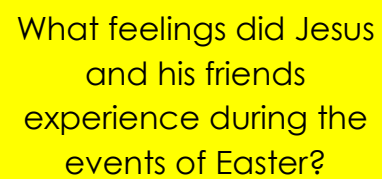
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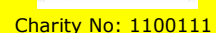
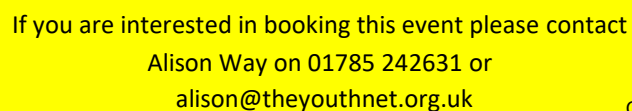
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How do our actions
affect our relationships?



Easter Reflections is a workshop for Key Stage 2 pupils. It helps the children learn about the Easter Story whilst also exploring some important aspects around relationships. Respect; Friendship; Betrayal; Judgement; Sacrifice and Forgiveness.

Workshops last 90 minutes and are suitable for children from all faith and belief backgrounds. The workshop costs £20 per class.



Easter Explorers



What connection do chocolate eggs and the Easter Bunny have with the Christian Easter story?



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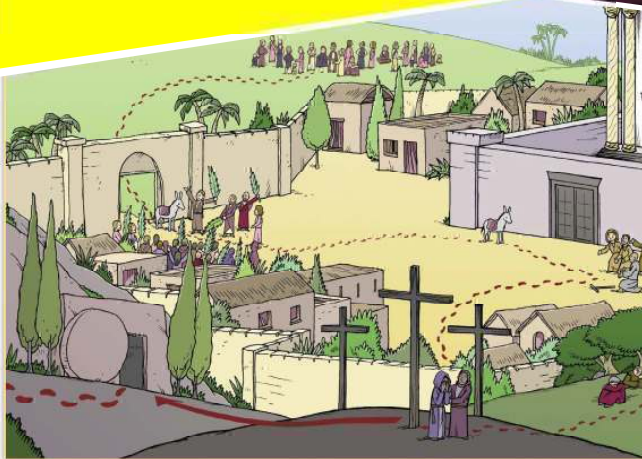
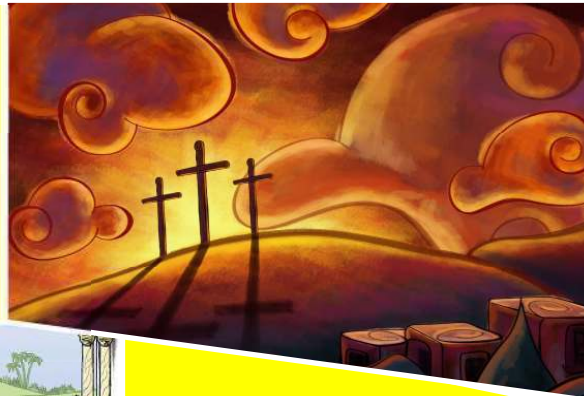
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Journey to Easter



What was Peter's experience of the events of Easter?

Was he curious, critical, confused or certain?



Journey to Easter is a workshop for Key Stage 2 pupils. The children travel through the important events of Easter; stopping to examine Peter's experience of key places. As they explore the story, the children will be asked to consider special "Wonder Questions" to help them think about their own response to the story.

Workshops last 90 minutes and are suitable for children from all faith and belief backgrounds. The workshop costs £20 per class.

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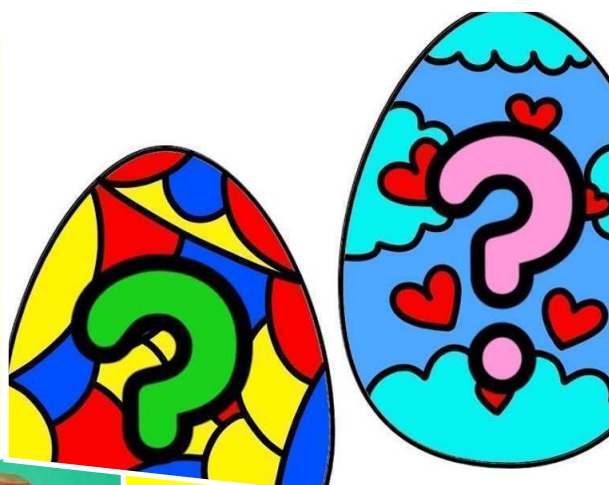
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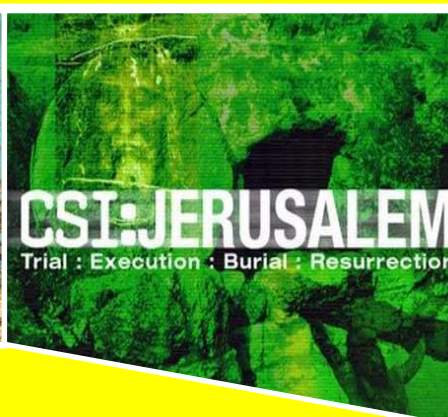
INVESTIGATE EASTER

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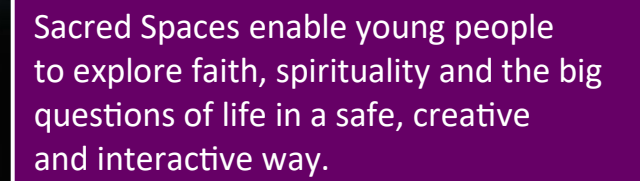
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The Youth Net can run Sacred Spaces for KS2, KS3 and KS4 pupils.

Sacred Spaces are designed to engage all of the pupils' senses and help them reflect upon or pray about life, the universe and everything.

Our Sacred Spaces can be tailored around a particular topic, or offer an experience of what prayer is and why people of faith believe it is important and useful aspect of their religion.



The activities are pupil-led as they choose how to engage (as an Observer, Spiritual Person, Reflector or Believer). Prayer Spaces bring a new dimension to RE, PHSE, SEAL, Citizenship and SMSC.

The Remembrance Day Sacred Space lasts 1 hour and includes: an

aching about the history of Remembrance Day

s to engage with the prayer space. It is suitable

The Sacred Space requires a space for the zones (a classroom or part of a hall) plus access to a projector and whiteboard. The Sacred Space costs £20 per class. If you would like to book a Sacred Space, please contact Alison Way (Primary Schools Development Worker) on 01785 242631 or alison@theyouthnet.org.uk

Remembrance Day

Sacred Space

Remembrance Day Zones:

1. Forgiveness and Sorry - what are Christians taught about forgiveness? Who do I need to say sorry to and who do I need to forgive?

2. Peace - What did Jesus teach about peace? Which place in the world do I want to pray for? How could I be a Peace Maker?

3. Remembrance - who would I like to remember and why?

5. Hope - what are my hopes for the future? How can I bring hope to others?

6. Be still— quiet personal reflection

SEAL Themes:

- Relationships
- Say No to Bullying
- New Beginnings
- Good to be Me

RE Curriculum Connections:

- Beliefs, teaching and sources
- Expressing meaning
- Meaning, purpose and truth
- Values and commitments

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Year 6 Transition Sacred Space

Sacred Spaces enable young people to explore spirituality, faith and the big questions of life in a safe, creative and interactive space. The activities are pupil-led as they choose how to engage (as an Observer, Spiritual Person, Reflector or Believer). Sacred Spaces bring a new dimension to RE, PHSE, SEAL, Citizenship and SMSC.

The Transition Sacred Space lasts an hour and includes an introduction to prayer and the activities; opportunities for the children to consider the transition from primary to secondary school, and time for the pupils to engage with all the Sacred Space activities. Up to 30 pupils can take part at one time.

The Sacred Space requires a classroom or part of a hall plus access to a whiteboard and projector. It costs £20 per class. If you would like to book a Sacred Space, please contact Alison Way (Explore Project Leader) on 01785 242631 or alison@theyouthnet.org.uk

Sacred Space Zones:

- 1. What is Prayer?** - what is God like? How can I talk to God?
- 2. Here and Now** - is there a time for everything? How do I feel right now? What changes are happening to me? What impression do I want to leave behind?
- 3. My Friends and Family** - what broken relationships do I need to mend? What are the good times I want to remember? Who has been part of my life journey?
- 4. Future** - what are my hopes for the future? What big questions do I have?
How will my life be different in the future?
How can I deal with worries?

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Workshops



The Youth Net can run RE workshops and lessons for EY-
°KS4.

The workshops and lessons are interactive, stimulating and suitable for pupils from all faith and belief backgrounds.

Question Mark drama groups provides a unique RE and SMSC experience for pupils. The children explore Bible stories and Christian values by learning and performing an original play in just 2 hours.



A tour through Christianity



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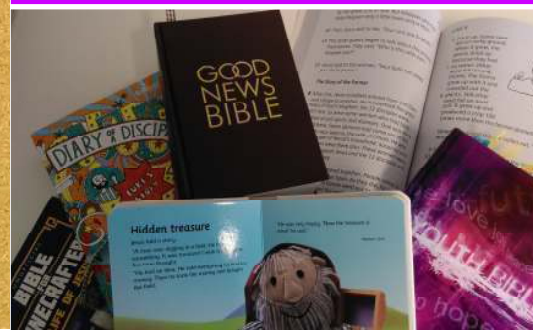
What do Christians believe and what is the big story of the Bible? Explore key stories of Christianity through an interactive lesson:

- ◆ Creation
- ◆ David
- ◆ Isaiah
- ◆ Christmas
- ◆ Easter
- ◆ Pentecost

A tour through Christianity is suitable for Early Years and Key Stage 1 pupils and lasts 45 mins. The workshop uses storytelling, videos and drama to help children understand what Christians believe, what the Bible is, and how Christians interact with God. The workshops cost £20.

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Harvest Workshops



Harvest Workshops enable primary-aged pupils to explore how and why Christians celebrate the Harvest Festival and its significance in today's society.

The workshops are interactive and tailored to meet the abilities of Early Years, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. The workshops look at two key elements of a Harvest Festival - saying Thank You and Sharing, and cover the main characteristics of the celebrations:

- Who do Christians say thank you to and why
- How do Christians say thank you to God
- Who do Christians share food with and why (KS2 also consider why some people don't have enough to eat)

The workshops include the story of the Feeding of the 5000 (John 6:1-11), a reflective craft, games, songs, sign language, a sharing activity, information about local Christian organisations who work with vulnerable people, and visual examples of a Harvest Festival.

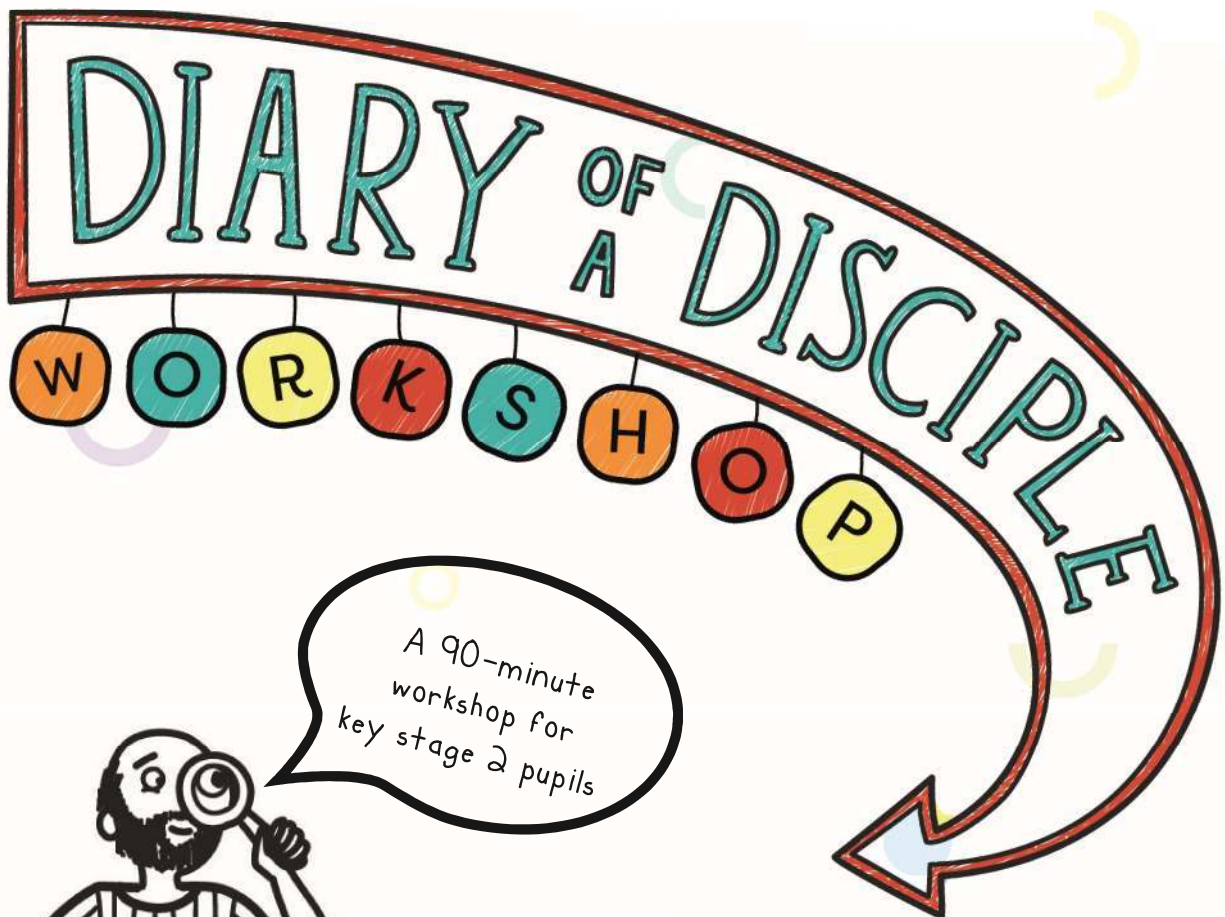
Our Harvest Workshops meets the local agreed SACRE RE Syllabus criteria for 1.2a, 1.2b, 1.6b, 2.2c, 2.4b, 2.4c, 2.5b, 2.5d and 2.6d. The workshops cost £10 per class. Please contact **Alison Way** (Explore Project Leader) on **01785 242631** or **alison@theyouthnet.org.uk** for more information or to book the workshops.

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Scripture Union



- What is the Bible?
- Why is the Bible important to Christians?
- Who was Jesus? What did he do? What did he say?
- What is Luke's story all about?

www.scriptureunion.org.uk



Question Mark provides Friday morning drama workshops for pupils in Year 6 (this is flexible depending on the size of your school)

The pupils learn an original play based on a Bible story (written by Question Mark) and a song with signing. After practising their parts, they have two rehearsals, and then the children perform the play to the rest of the school before lunchtime! All props, music, costumes and scenery are provided.

There are a number of roles available to suit all children's confidence and reading levels, including narrators, large and small speaking parts, puppeteers, dancers, and props and scenery manager.



The Question Mark team are all DBS-checked volunteers with many years of experience in education or children's work. Question Mark has been working in Stafford schools for almost 30 years and is part of The Youth Net.

For more information, please contact Jay Gascoigne (The Youth Net Administrator) on admin@theyouthnet.org.uk or 01785 242631.

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