



Creation and Covenant



What Will I Learn?

Hear – which scripture?

Children will know:

- The Creation story in Genesis 1:1-4, 24- 26 as an ancient, prayerful, poetic reflection on God's world.
- The opening of the Nicene Creed 'I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and Earth, of all things visible and invisible'.
- An introduction to the ideas presented in Laudato Si.

Believe – what do Christians believe?

Children will know that the church teaches:

- That all that is comes from God.
- God is our Father.
- God's love and care for humanity is experienced through the beauty and order of Creation.
- Prayer is a way we draw closer to God

Celebrate – how do we act as Christians?

Children will know:

- That praying is a way people draw close to God.
- That, as a community, the Church prays the Creed and the Our Father to pray to God and worship him

Live – Catholic Social Teaching

Children will know:

- God wants us to love and care for the world because the world is God's gift to us.
- Caring for the world is one of the ways we love and care for each other. By the end of this unit of study, pupils will explore:
- How a community in another part of the world cares for Creation.

Key Vocabulary

- **God** - the creator of the world; our Father in heaven
- **father** - God is our father in heaven and looks after us all
- **creation** – the process of God creating the world as written in Genesis.
- **Pope Francis** – the leader of the Roman Catholic church
- **Laudato Si'** – an encyclical letter on care for our common home
- **Our Father** – the prayer that Jesus taught us to say
- **Creed** – our beliefs; we believe in one Lord Jesus Christ.

Ways of knowing -Assessment

Expected outcomes	
	Understand By the end of this unit of study, pupils will be able to:
UI1.1	Recognise that the story of Creation in Genesis 1:1-4, 24-26, is an ancient, prayerful, poetic reflection on God's world and retell this story in any form. (RVE)
UI1.2	Recognise in an age-appropriate way that the Church teaches that all that is comes from God, our Father, who made heaven and Earth. (RVE)
UI1.3	Recognise that though people cannot see God, they can sense his presence through the awe and wonder experienced in the beauty and order of Creation.
UI1.4	Recognise that the Church teaches that God gave human beings the responsibility for taking care of the world and its people and in doing this, we show love for God and each other.
UI1.5	Know that Pope Francis wrote a letter, called Laudato Si', about the gift of Creation and the importance of taking care of the world as it is everyone's home.
UI1.6	Recognise that prayer is a way of drawing closer to God.
	Discern By the end of this unit of study, pupils will be able to talk and think creatively and critically about what they have studied, for example, through:
DI1.1	Talking about how God's gift of Creation is expressed through the scriptures and diverse creative and artistic expressions, e.g., through art, music, or poetry and talk about their responses.
DI1.2	Talking about why caring for God's world matters for them and their local community. (RVE)
	Respond During this unit of study, pupils will be invited to respond to their learning, for example by:
RI1.1	Reflecting on what the words of the Our Father and the opening words of the Creed say to them.
RI1.2	Reflecting on different ways to pray.
RI1.3	Listening to stories from different communities and their experiences about how they care for the world. (RVE)
RI1.4	Talking about how they can care for God's world. (RVE)

Pupil voice: