# Why is the Word God Important?

#### **Key Religions:**

Christianity Islam Judaism







#### **Key Vocabulary:**

Creation
Creator
God
Stewardship

#### **Key Concepts: God and Creation**

The word God is a name. This is a very important name to people who are religious. Christians, Jews and Muslims worship God and respect His name. There can be different names for God, such as Lord or father. Muslims use the name Allah

Christians, Jews and Muslims believe God is the creator of the universe. God made our wonderful world and so we should look after it.

# School Prayer:

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace (1 Peter 4:10)

#### **Enhanced Classroom Provision:**

Book area with simple Bible story books on creation

Prayer table/box and prayer bear with examples of well-known prayers and prayer beginnings - God, Lord, father.

Malleable/Making playdough animal figures for the story of creation.

Investigative area Books and pictures for finding out about animals

Small world play Builder's tray to re-enact creation story.

Cookery area to explore with the senses, including taste.

ICT - writing God and changing the font or making name tags for teddies.

Creative area with collage materials to make animals.

Listening corner/Songs about our world/ creation.

## Key connections:

Where and when do we say thank you?

What makes our school a church school?

Why do we go to collective worship?

What is special about a name?

Who is my family?

Why do Christian's go to church?

Who do Christians, Jews and Muslims

believe made the world?

How can we look after our school and our

local area?

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## Key Knowledge

| Who do Christians, Jews and Muslims believe | What can you create?   | How can you look after the world? answers can         |
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| made the world?                             | Answers can include – pictures, animals from   | include - put rubbish in the bin, tidy up, be kind to |
| God   | play dough, books, games etc.  | animals   |
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| Can you name a religion?                    | What is our school prayer?   |   |
| Answers can include - Christianity, Islam,  | As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied |   |
| Judaism (or other world religions they are  | grace (1 Peter 4:10)   |   |
| familiar with)                              |  |   |
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## Learning Journey

| Future Learning | Reception  | KS1  |
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| Christianity    | Why is the name God Important? Children will appreciate that names are special, linking to the Christian concept of God. Children will make links with the school vision of Stewardship and being a good steward of God. | Children will study the Christian concept of creation in KS1 and 2. They will understand that they can all be creators, that Christians believe that God is creator of the universe.  Children will understand that there are different names for God within Christianity, Judaism and in Islam God is called Allah and the Qu'ran has 99 different names for God.  Children will begin to make links between beliefs and how these influence daily life e.g Christians, Jews and Muslims believe God created the world and therefore there is a responsibility to look after it looking at specific case studies.  Children will begin to understand rules and that rules can come from different places, religious texts and teachings and non-religious authorities.  Children will deliver a harvest festival in the local church and make the link between the Christian belief of God as a provider and Christians saying thank you to God as creator. |