

# Understanding Christianity Scheme

Understanding Christianity weaves approaches to teaching about Christianity that build upon the children's encounters with biblical concepts. Units of work address a key Christian concept through key questions and exploration of key biblical texts, the impact that they have on Christians and possible implications on the pupils themselves. Each unit incorporates the elements of:

## Making Sense of the Text:

Developing skills of reading and interpretation; understanding how Christians interpret, handle and use biblical texts; making sense of the meanings of texts for Christians.

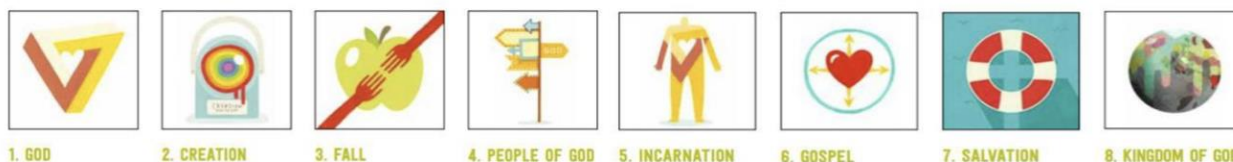
## Making Connections:

Examining ways in which Christians respond to biblical texts and teachings, and how they put their beliefs into action in diverse ways within the Christian community and in the world.

## Understanding the Impact:

Evaluating, reflecting on and connecting the texts and concepts studied, and discerning possible connections between these and pupil's own lives and ways of understanding the world.

The teaching materials use a variety of strategies and activities within each element, in order to engage pupils and develop their skills in Christianity and learning. The following core concepts are explored in the Understanding Christianity approach, as part of the 'big story' of salvation:



The core concepts fit into a spiral curriculum, whereby concepts are revisited and explored in more depth as pupils move through the school. These are explored through key questions, however, and so are not applied exclusively — links and connections will be made between concepts during units.