RE Homework Grid Reception Class, Advent Term Topic 3

In RE this term we will be learning about Advent as we journey through this season and approach Christmas. We will be thinking about how we can celebrate Jesus’ birthday at Christmas and how we can get ready. These activities will support your child to develop a deeper understanding of the their RE learning.

**Our big question in RE is, ‘Why do we celebrate Birthdays?’**

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| **Do it!** | **Make it!** | **Write it!** | **Pray it!** |
| Donate something to someone less fortunate than you during Advent. | Make a picture or model of the stable that Jesus was born in. | Write about some of the things that happen in Advent. | Spend some time with your family in prayer or go to Mass with your family. |
| Speak to your family at home about how they prepare during Advent. | Make a list of good things that you will try to do during Advent. | Write a sentence about the Nativity story. | Say a sorry prayer to God for a time that you did not make the right choice. |
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RE Homework Grid Year 1, Advent Term Topic 3

In RE this term we will be learning about Advent as a time of waiting in joyful hope for Jesus. We will be thinking about how we can celebrate Jesus’ birthday at Christmas and how we can get ready. These activities will support your child to develop a deeper understanding of the their RE learning.

**Our big question in RE is, ‘Is waiting always difficult?’**

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| **Do it!** | **Make it!** | **Write it!** | **Pray it!** |
| Give up your time to help someone in need this Advent or donate something to someone less fortunate. | Make a picture or model that could be displayed on an Advent prayer area. This might be a stable, a nativity character or a way we prepare in Advent. | Write about how you are feeling while you wait for Jesus during Advent. | Spend some time with your family in prayer or go to Mass with your family. |
| Light a candle in your house and spend some time thinking about how we are waiting for Jesus. | Make a Christmas tree decoration which reminds us that we are waiting for Jesus. | Write a list of good things that you are going to do in Advent. | Pray sorry prayers for times that you have not made good choices. |
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RE Homework Grid Year 2, Advent Term Topic 3

In RE this term we will be learning about Advent as a time we consider how we can prepare ourselves for the coming of Jesus . We will be thinking about how we can celebrate Jesus’ birthday at Christmas and how we can prepare. These activities will support your child to develop a deeper understanding of the their RE learning.

**Our big question in RE is, ‘Do we need to prepare?’**

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| **Do it!** | **Make it!** | **Write it!** | **Pray it!** |
| Role play the story of Jesus’ birth. | Make a model or a picture of the Nativity. Try to include all of the different characters from the story. | Describe how we use the Advent wreath. How do we use this to help us prepare in Advent. | Go to Mass with your family and see the Parish Family. Look for signs that the church are preparing in Advent. |
| Donate something to charity or give up some time to help those in need or less fortunate than you. | Make or draw a picture of an advent wreath. | Retell the Nativity story. | Pray to God to say sorry for the times that you have not made the right choices. |
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RE Homework Grid Year 3, Advent Term Topic 3

In RE this term we will be learning about Advent. For Christians, this topic emphasises the coming of God, in the person of Jesus, 2,000 years ago at Bethlehem. We will be thinking about how we can prepare for his second coming during Advent. These activities will support your child to develop a deeper understanding of the their RE learning.

**Our big question in RE is, ‘Are visitors always welcome?’**

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| **Do it!** | **Make it!** | **Write it!** | **Pray it!** |
| Make a list of 5 acts of kindness that you can do during the season of Advent and do these. | Make a poster teaching people about different ways that we can prepare during Advent. | Write about how you are going to prepare your heart for Jesus during Advent. | Visit God’s home, church, with your family and pray together. |
| Look in your home for a toy or food item that you can donate to someone less fortunate than yourself. | Make a model or a picture that could be displayed on an Advent prayer table. | Describe different ways we prepare during Advent and give reasons why we do these things. | Create a small prayer space. Spend some time encountering God. Listen to what God is asking you to do during Advent. |
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RE Homework Grid Year 4, Advent Term Topic 3

In RE this term we will be learning about Advent. During this time of year we often think about gifts. In this topic we think about how God’s gift of Jesus is a gift of love to all people of all time. These activities will support your child to develop a deeper understanding of the their RE learning.

**Our big question in RE is, ‘What is so special about gifts?’**

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| **Do it!** | **Make it!** | **Write it!** | **Pray it!** |
| Give someone the gift of time. Visit someone who is lonely or that you have not seen for a while. Spend time with them and teach them about Advent. | Make a gift for someone special. Give them the gift and explain why they are special to you. | Write about the many gifts that you have in your life. Think about those things that cannot be bought in a shop. | Visit God’s home, church, with your family and pray together. What do you notice in church that shows we are in the season of Advent? |
| Donate something to a charity or food bank to give a gift to someone less fortunate than yourself. | Make a model or a picture that shows that Jesus was God’s gift of love to us all. | Write a letter to someone teaching them about the importance of Advent and how we can prepare our hearts for Jesus during this season. | Have some time in quiet reflection and Encounter God. What is He saying to you? Speak to him about how you are preparing your heart for Jesus. |
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RE Homework Grid Year 5, Advent Term Topic 3

In RE this term we will be learning about Advent. When the Church celebrates the liturgy of Advent each year, she makes present this ancient expectancy of the Messiah, for by sharing in the long preparation for the Saviour’s first coming, the faithful renew their ardent desire for his second coming. These activities will support your child to develop a deeper understanding of the their RE learning.

**Our big question in RE is, ‘What does it mean to live in hope?’**

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| **Do it!** | **Make it!** | **Write it!** | **Pray it!** |
| Spend some time with someone who you have not spoken to in a while. Talk about your hopes and what it means to live in hope. | Make a model or picture that could be displayed on an Advent prayer table about hope. | Describe how Christians prepare for the second coming during Advent and give reasons for these actions of believers. | Visit God’s home, church, with your family and pray together. Give reasons why there are different objects in church during Advent. |
| Donate something to charity. Think about how your donation will allow someone less fortunate than yourself to live in hope. | Make a poster that could be displayed in church teaching people about how we can prepare ourselves for the second coming of Jesus. | Write a letter to someone telling them about how we prepare for the second coming of Jesus and what they can do to prepare. Give reasons why they should prepare. | Create a prayer space for your family. Select a piece of scripture and pray together. Let this time encountering God help you to prepare during Advent. |
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RE Homework Grid Year 6, Advent Topic 3

In RE this term we will be learning about Advent. Advent is a time of joyful expectation, as we prepare to receive Jesus into our lives. We think about the second coming of Jesus and how we can prepare our hearts. These activities will support your child to develop a deeper understanding of the their RE learning.

**Our big question in RE is,‘ Should we have expectations?’**

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| **Do it!** | **Make it!** | **Write it!** | **Pray it!** |
| Speak to someone about how they prepare to receive Jesus. How does this make them feel? How does this influence how they speak and act? | Make an advent calendar. On each day suggest ways that people can prepare themselves for the coming of Jesus and help others to encounter God through their actions. | Write about Advent. Give reasons why this is an important season for Christians and show an understanding of how this shapes their religious life. | Visit God’s home, church, with your family and pray together. Look at the different ways the church prepares during advent show understanding of these signs and symbols. |
| Think of a way to donate an item or your time to help someone in need. When you have done this, reflect on how this helped you to prepare for the second coming of Christ. | Make a piece of art which shows how we wait in joyful hope for the second coming of Jesus. | Write a letter to young people explaining the true meaning of Advent and Christmas and how they can encounter God. | Plan and present a Celebration of the word for your family helping them to think about the true meaning of Advent and the second coming of Jesus. |
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