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**KEY VOCABULARY**

rules, care, safe, sorry, forgive, right, wrong make up, choices, sin, consequences, examination of conscience

**Scripture John 14:15**

**“If you love me, you will obey my commandments”**

John 15: 12 Colossians 3: 10-17 Matthew 18: 21-22

Rules

For the Christian Christ’s rule of love of God and neighbour offers freedom and happiness. The exercise of the conscience enables the Christian to follow God’s law and through love to express sorrow for wrong doing. The Sacrament of Reconciliation grants pardon and peace.

Discipleship

**OUR BIG QUESTION**

What is good news?

**Key Questions**

Why are rules important?

Why is it good to say sorry?

Do we need rules?

**This Topic learning outcomes are to know and understand:**

\* How rules can help at home and in school

\* The reasons for rules in the Christian family

In this topic we will be looking at how rules keep us safe and why it is important to follow them. The children will reflect on God’s rules for his people and how we must follow these to show love to others. We will also be thinking about the importance of saying sorry and how Jesus teaches us to forgive others.

REFLECTION

I have chosen the way of faithfulness; I set your ordinances before me.

I cling to your decrees, O Lord; let me not be put to shame.

I run the way of your commandments, for you enlarge my understanding.

Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes, and I will observe it to the end.

Give me understanding that I may keep your law and observe it with my whole heart.

Amen.