



Year: 3  
Term: Summer 1

## KINGDOM OF GOD 2a.6 When Jesus left, what do Christians believe was the impact of Pentecost?

### Prior Knowledge

Children have knowledge of what the Trinity is and can explain that the Trinity is made up of God the Father, God the son and God the Holy Spirit (Y3 – Autumn 1).

Children know that Christians talk to God through prayer (Y1 - Spring 2).

Children have knowledge of the Lord’s Prayer (Y1 Spring 2).

### Key Knowledge

- In the Spring 2 unit, children have answered the question ‘Why do Christians call the day that Jesus died Good Friday’. This should be recapped prior to this unit starting. When discussing this, it is important that children understand that Christians believe that God is King on Earth and in heaven.
- The Day of Pentecost comes after Easter and is mentioned in the book of Acts (the first book after the gospels) and in particular is referenced in Acts 2: 1-15, 33 and 37-41. The Day of Pentecost is celebrated as being ten days after Jesus ascended to heaven and Christians were given the Holy Spirit. During this time, people were given the ability to speak in languages that weren’t their own which enabled people of different languages across the world to hear the word of God.
- In Acts 2:41–47, 3,000 people accepted Jesus as King of their lives, and join the ‘Kingdom of God’. The ‘Kingdom of God’ still exists today and Christians believe that if they put their trust in God, they become part of the his Kingdom.
- Christians believe that the Kingdom of God should be the same on Earth as it is in Heaven. This is mentioned in the Lord’s Prayer which was given to the church by Jesus before he died. Matthew 6:9-13. This prayer was taught to them so that they knew how to pray to God and also so that they knew what God wanted for the world. What clues can the children find in the texts to say what Christians believe the Kingdom of God should be like?
- Since Pentecost, Christians have been trying to make the world look more like the Kingdom of God. What questions do the children have about Pentecost and what it means to Christians? Why do they think it was important to Christians back then/now?

### Key Enquiry Lines

- **To understand that Christians believe that Jesus’ whole life was a demonstration of his belief that God is king, not just in heaven but here and now.**
- **To understand that Christians celebrate Pentecost as the beginning of the Church**
- **To understand that Christians believe that Jesus is still alive and rules in their hearts through the Holy Spirit if they let him.**

### Key Question

**When Jesus left, what do Christians believe was the impact of Pentecost?**

### Key Vocabulary

Ascension, Pentecost, Lord’s Prayer, Kingdom of God