

<u>Lent</u>	
<u>What?</u>	A period of 40 days in the Christian calendar, starting on Ash Wednesday and ending on Easter.
<u>How?</u>	Fasting, giving up something. A time for prayer, reflection and penance (asking for forgiveness)
<u>Why?</u>	To remember Jesus' wandering through the desert for 40 days before his crucifixion . He did not eat or drink and was tempted by the devil to give up being the son of God.
<u>Shrove Tuesday</u>	Day before Ash Wednesday . Last day of celebration before 40 days of fasting. Pancakes are eaten to get rid of food. 'Shrove' means to confess sins and get forgiveness.
<u>Ash Wednesday</u>	Beginning of lent. Day of penitence . Christians marked with cross as a sign of mortality.
<u>Crucifixion</u>	A ancient and cruel punishment where a person is hung from a beam by their arms until they die. The day Jesus was crucified is known as 'Good Friday'.
<u>Resurrection</u>	Belief that Jesus came back to life (was resurrected) after dying on the cross.
<u>Easter Sunday</u>	Last Day of Celebrations of Jesus' resurrection. It celebrated the day that Jesus' tomb was found empty only for him to be seen later that day

Easter



Easter commemorates the resurrection of Jesus Christ. It is the most important Christian festival, and the one celebrated with the greatest joy. A time of renewal and being born again (life Jesus being resurrected) Happens in Spring when flowers and animals are beginning to blossom and be born

Easter story

Jesus enters Jerusalem on a donkey, welcomed by crowds of people laying clothes and palm leaves on the road. This event is celebrated on Palm Sunday.

Judas Iscariot is paid thirty pieces of silver by the Jewish High Priests to betray Jesus to them so that they can arrest Jesus.

Jesus and his disciples have a meal together, where Jesus tells them he will be killed by people who don't like what he says. He tells them that they must remember him by eating bread, symbolising his body, and drinking wine, symbolising his blood. This is known as the **Last Supper**.

After supper, Jesus and some of his disciples, went to the Garden of Gethsemane. He asked his friends to watch over him while he prayed, but they fell asleep, and Judas arrived with soldiers to arrest Jesus.

Jesus is put on trial and accused of being offensive to God. He is crucified with two criminals after carrying his cross through Jerusalem.

Eventually Jesus dies, is taken down from the cross and buried in a stone tomb.

When some friends return to complete burial rituals on Jesus' body, the tomb is open and Jesus' body is gone.

Disciples and others see Jesus alive again and he says he has been resurrected, before he is seen disappearing (ascending) into Heaven.