RE **Knowledge Organiser** **Years 1 and 2 Spring Term**

What does the cross mean to Christians?

Big Ideas: Theology, Community

1) What does the cross mean to Christians?

2) How does a celebration bring a community together?

3) What do you hope for at Easter?

Vocabulary

Christian	Being a member of the religion which follows the teachings of Jesus Christ
Cross	A symbol of Christianity
Crucifixion	A Roman execution of someone by nailing them on a cross
Jesus	The son of God - a teacher and prophet who founded the Christian faith
Resurrection	To return to life after death
Salvation	The act of saving someone, or being saved from evil or sin.

Key Symbols

A Palm Cross

A Crucifix

Hot cross bun

Key Facts

- Christians believe Jesus died on a cross (crucifixion) to save people (salvation).
- Christians believe Jesus came back to life (resurrection).
- Christians believe Easter gives people hope of a new life, now and in the future.
- The cross reminds Christians of Jesus's sacrifice.
- The cross shows commitment to the Christian faith.
- The cross reminds Christians of God's love.

We Are learning to

WALT: recall the events of the Easter Story.	WALT: compare different Christian crosses and examine their meaning.	WALT: investigate the importance of the Easter Festival to Christians.	WALT: create a cross which symbolises Christian beliefs in Jesus.	WALT: compose a message of Hope to reflect what Easter means to Christians.