



Year 1 Religious Education: Palm Sunday

Why was Jesus welcomed like a king on Palm Sunday?



Key Vocabulary

Palm Sunday

This is the Sunday before Easter Sunday. It is the first day of Holy Week and celebrates Jesus's arrival in Jerusalem riding on a donkey.

Palm leaves

It was a tradition to wave and lay down palm leaves in front of heroes and successful armies returning from war.

Palm crosses

A cross made out of a palm, given to Christians who go to church on Palm Sunday. Some Christians keep these in their homes all year as a symbol of their faith.

Messiah

A saviour sent by God.

disciple

A follower of Jesus.

Hosanna

An expression of joy or praise shouted at Jesus.

Discovery RE®

The donkey is a symbol of peace, so when Jesus was riding on a donkey it showed the people that his intentions were peaceful and he didn't want to fight anyone.



Key Skills

- Talk about a person I admire.
- Recall parts of the Easter story and recognise some of the symbols in it.
- Start to show understanding that Jesus is special to Christians and say why.

Sticky Knowledge

- People welcomed Jesus like a king because they had heard about all the amazing things he did and they believed He would be the 'Messiah', the one who would save them from the Roman occupation.