

Advent: Additional Support Materials

Advent Ideas		
Area of the Curriculum	Activities	Resources/Links
Collective Worship Music	Songs: A band of Angels Jesus went out of his way	www.johnhardwick.org.uk
Collective Worship	Tell the nativity story through Advent. Here are two examples of the story told in an engaging way. One of them tells the story using sand art and the other uses illustrations by Esben Hanefelt.	http://www.biblesociety.org.uk/christmas14/?area=unwrapped
School Ethos and Values	Collecting for a charity during Advent is popular. Operation Christmas Child also known as the 'Shoebox' appeal is a popular one, or Children in Need is held during November, or Crisis has a Christmas appeal.	http://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/ http://www.bbc.co.uk/childreninneed http://www.crisis.org.uk
PSHE	Discuss issues relating to celebrations, giving and receiving. Discuss times of waiting, and the value of perseverance	www.christianvalues4schools.co.uk
Art and Design	Explore the nativity through art. Ask the children to think about what the characters in the painting might be thinking or saying? Ask the children to create their own nativity image. They might explore different images from around the world as inspiration, and/or use a technique from a particular culture.	http://www.nationalgallery.org.uk/paintings/ http://www.jesus-story.net/painting_birth_christ.htm http://www.turismo.intoscana.it/allthingstuscany/tuscanyarts/ten-nativity-scenes-in-renaissance-art/
Design and technology	Making edible Christmas decorations that illustrate one of the advent themes such as love.	http://www.bbcgoodfood.com/recipes/8233/orange-and-ginger-stained-glass-biscuits

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