

St Saviour's Catholic Primary and Nursery School



Subject: RE

Topic: Creation and Covenant

Year: 6

What should I already know?

- In Genesis, the world was created in 6 days.
- In Jewish tradition, the seventh day, or Sabbath, is a day of rest and worship.
- Adam and Eve figure in one of the Creation stories.
- Recognise the family tree of Abraham.
- That God made a covenant with Abraham and promised him as many descendants as the number of stars in the sky.

What am I going to learn?

- There are two creation stories.
- Even though it is second in the book of Genesis, Genesis 2 was written around 150 years before Genesis 1.
- The Genesis 2 creation story is written by a Yahewist.
- Genesis 2 was written during a time when the Israelites are thriving, so the imagery is very positive and intimate.
- God (Yahweh) is presented as a gardener who creates and minds a beautiful garden and the creatures that live in it.
- We were not made to be alone, but to live in communion with one another.
- The Tree of Knowledge refers to good and evil in the world.
- The 'Original Sin' refers to Adam and Eve's actions in the story of 'The Fall'.
- Laudato Si was written to guide Christian's back to caring for God's Creation.
- Faith and science can both be the truth.

Vocabulary

- **Creator:** God, who created the heavens, the earth and all living things
- **Genesis:** the first book of the Bible, containing an account of the origin of the world, of the human race, and of the Chosen People.
- **Sabbath:** a day to honour God and worship Him, and to abstain from working for one's own interests.
- **Yahweh:** a name for the God in the Old Testament.
- **Covenant:** a sacred / divine promise between God and people which means we are in a relationship with each other and as a result we both give and receive.
- **Abraham:** a prominent Old Testament figure who became father to the whole Israelite nation.
- **Dignity:** The worth and value of every human person, made in the image of God.
- **Original Sin:** In Catholic teaching, the fallen state of humanity associated with the first human sin.
- **Theological:** relating to the study of God and religious beliefs.
- **Conscience:** an inner sense that helps a person recognise right and wrong.

