Grow In Love

Down and Connor Catholic Schools' Support Service

Grow in Love December Planner

Primary 4 Theme 4: Christmas

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| **Prayer Space** | Purple cloth (Advent); Bible (open at Luke 2); Candle; Advent Calendar; Crib  Add to this space each week throughout the month | | | |
|  | **Week 1**  **Messengers of God** | **Week 2**  **The Birth of Jesus** | **Week 3**  **Christmas Activities** | **Week 4** |
| **Learning Objectives** | * Name angels as messengers from God * Empathise with the different characters in the Nativity story * Prepare my heart for the coming of Christmas | * The key moments in the Christmas story * The type of person Jesus was * Compare and contrast King Herod with Jesus * Experience Christmas as a celebration of the birth of Jesus |  |  |
| **Learning and Teaching Activities** | Chat about sending and receiving messages  Discuss messengers  Art: Make an angel  Scripture: Lk 2:1-20  Song: Angels we have Heard on High  *PB: p20 An angel appears to Mary*  *TM pp105-110* | Online: The Christmas Story  Scripture: Mt 2:1-12  Song: Following a Star  Online: King Herod and Jesus  Using the crib figures, chat about the Christmas story  *PB: p22 The Wise Men and King Herod*  Art: Nativity scene  *TM pp111-119* | Own activities related to Christmas and school setting |  |
| **Praying Together** | Hail Mary (with actions)  Poem: Prepare, Prepare!  The first Joyful Mystery | Preparing for Christmas  Prayer Service |  |  |
| **At Home** | *PB: p21 An angel appears to the shepherds* | *PB: p23 The Wise Men and King Herod* |  |  |

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| **Cross**  **Curricular**  **Links** | **PDMU:** Theme 4: Health, Growth and Change <https://ccea.org.uk/downloads/docs/ccea-asset/Resource/PDMU%20Progression%20Grid%20for%20Key%20Stage%201.pdf>  **LLT**: Unit 1: The Real Me <http://www.nicurriculum.org.uk/docs/key_stages_1_and_2/areas_of_learning/pdmu/livinglearningtogether/year4/yr4_unit1.pdf>  Unit 3: Growing means changing <http://www.nicurriculum.org.uk/docs/key_stages_1_and_2/areas_of_learning/pdmu/livinglearningtogether/year4/yr4_unit3.pdf>  **WAU**: Myself at different ages; My family; Relationships;  **RSE**: The Wonder of My Being Year 4: The Christmas Story; Family life; Pregnancy and Birth | | | |
| **Other Suggestions for December** | Feast Day: Immaculate Conception of Blessed Virgin Mary (8th) | | | |
| **Differentiation** |  |  |  |  |
| **What went well?** |  |  |  |  |
| **What would I change?** |  |  |  |  |
| **Suggested Additional Resources** | <http://www.kandle.ie/>  <http://www.derrydiocese.org/>  [www.education](http://www.education)dublindiocese.ie  [www.prayingincolour.com](http://www.prayingincolour.com)  [www.drawing-god.com](http://www.drawing-god.com) | | | |