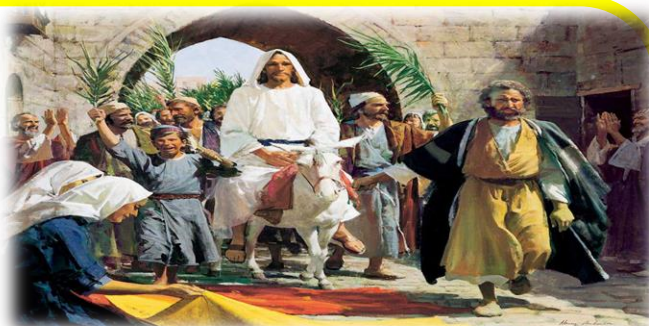




What is Easter?

Topic Overview

- Spring is seen as the season that welcomes new life in nature.
- Easter is a special time for Christians. They remember Jesus' last week on Earth.
- Christians believe Jesus came to show God's love so they try to show love to others.
- **Jesus entered Jerusalem on a donkey.**
- Some people were really excited to see Jesus because they thought He was going to rescue them from the Romans who had taken over their country.
- They wanted to make Jesus king.
- They waved palm leaves and shouted 'hosanna!'
- **The Last Supper**
- Jesus shared a meal with his disciples.
- They ate bread and wine.
- **The Garden of Gethsemane**
- Jesus and His disciples prayed.
- Christians believe Jesus was God's son so He was asking God for help because he knew something scary was going to happen.
- Judas kissed Jesus to show the soldiers who to arrest.
- **Jesus' death**
- Some people felt angry about Jesus because He said he was God's son and they didn't think this was true.
- Jesus was sentenced to death and he died on a cross.
- **Jesus' resurrection**
- Christians believe that Jesus came back to life and appeared to His disciples.
- Christians say Easter is a happy celebration because Jesus did not stay dead.
- Christians believe that Jesus died for people's sins.
- They say Jesus died to save everyone and to bring together humans and God.



Key Vocabulary	Definition
Season	One of the four parts of the year; spring, summer, autumn, and winter.
Easter	A Christian celebration to remember that Jesus came back to life after he died.
Change	To make or become different.
Life Cycle	The changes that a living thing goes through as it grows.
Sign	Something that shows what is there or is to come.
Rescue	To free or save.
Palm leaves	Large leaves found on a palm tree.
Hosanna	Means 'save us.'
Symbols	An object or picture that means something else.
Disciples	One of the twelve original followers of Jesus.
Resurrection	A return to life after death.
Sin	The bad things we do that makes God sad.
Arrest	To keep someone for breaking the law.
Forgive	To stop being angry with someone who has done something wrong.
Jesus	God's son. Jesus means 'he saves.' Jesus' followers believed he was the King sent by God to save the Israelites from the Romans and create God's kingdom on earth.