

Sources of material and resources for the use of the arts to unpack RE topics:

The National Association of Teachers of RE's 'Art in Heaven' gallery on the web show cases over 100 brilliant pupils responses to the questions 'Where is God?' and gives access to a free download of usable PPT sequences on this topic. It is a core resource for this module. www.natre.org.uk/spiritedarts
Websites on Christianity, e.g. <http://www.request.org.uk/>.

Artefacts [religious artefacts available to purchase from: Articles of Faith (Tel: 0161 763 6232)

Religion in Evidence (Freephone 0800 137525)]

Icon – 'Jesus through Art', Margaret Cooling.

Vanpoules is a supplier of vestments and textiles to churches. They have a very easy to use visual website: www.vanpoules.co.uk.

www.theresite.org.uk

www.re-xs.ucsm.ac.uk/schools/

Audio, visual and video resources

Contemporary classical spiritual music is good to use in this area: John Tavener, John Rutter, Andrew Lloyd Webber are examples..

Some contemporary artists such as Bill Viola or Mark Wallinger offer challenging imagery as well. (Web links)

Cumbria and Lancashire Learning Online has excellent resources for RE:

www.cleo.net.uk Look in Subjects, RE, KS2.

www.ngfl-cymru.org.uk is the Welsh Virtual Teacher Centre. It contains some good materials for teaching to this age group. Look at the KS3 sound presentation on Worship.

- examples of music from different religions
- posters, photographs and postcards of paintings
- miracle plays translated for children
- internet sites
- museums and art galleries

www.fischy.com provides some of the best contemporary music for children in Christianity.

Architecture and music:

Schools will do well to connect with local examples of Christian architecture and music in this unit. The parish church and the Cathedral of St Albans may be excellent sources.

Text

Margaret Cooling, 1998, '*Jesus Through Art*', RMEP;

Wood, Logan and Rose, 1997, '*Dimensions in Religion: Places and Spaces*', Nelson Thornes;

Phil Grice, Active Resources for Christianity 1, Heinemann, ISBN 435303724;

'I Wonder' (story of St Alban)

A useful pack of materials for exploring Easter at different levels is published by the Diocese of Bath & Wells, 2002, '*Easter: a whole-school scheme of work*', Wells: The Old Deanery RE Resources Centre. Price £10.

Picturing Jesus and Picturing Easter (RE Today, 2003 / 2008) provide good ideas for visual learning here.

Jesus Through Art by Margaret Cooling RMEP

Images of Jesus in Art (BBC) ISBN 1 9017 10246 (Video and Booklet)

The Christ we Share (CMS/USPG)

Lion publish a variety of Bible stories that are useful for retelling. *The Lion Storyteller Bible* ISBN 780745929217

RE Today Publications : *Picturing Jesus* - Photographs/ pictures of Jesus with questions and reflections for pupils.

Christian Artefact cards – *Religion in Evidence* series - published TTS , Monk Road, Alfreton, Derbyshire, DE55 7RL

CD Roms are available for a range of Christian music – both traditional and contemporary.

- Online searchable sacred texts from different religions at: www.ishwar.com
- www.jesusmafa.com – images of Jesus from the Cameroon
- www.gallery.euroweb.hu – an online database of thousands of paintings all digitally reproduced