


RE-How can artists help us to understand Christmas? (Year 4)

Outcome- create a piece of artwork suitable for a stained glass window






Prior Knowledge and Skills	
	To know that Christians believe that God values human beings above anything else, which is why Jesus came, as a gift, to earth.
	To know the significance of the gifts (gold, frankincense and myrrh) and what they say about Christian belief about Jesus.
	To know that Christmas has become over-commercialised, which detracts from its true meaning.

Ideas and inspiration:



Vocabulary:

- belief
- Jesus
- nativity
- symbolism
- icons
- incarnate
- artists
- representation

Developing Knowledge					
Christianity		Working Towards	Within	Expected	Above
	To know that artists use symbolism to express the events of the nativity and Christian beliefs about Jesus.				
	To know why artists have attempted to depict events surrounding the birth of Jesus.				
	To know that the way in which artists around the world represent Christmas tells us the importance of Jesus as God 'incarnate'.				
Developing Skills					
Engage		Working Towards	Within	Expected	Above
	To think about why people create art. Look at familiar art and discuss what the artist is trying to convey. Is art better than words?				
Enquire and explore		Working Towards	Within	Expected	Above
	To investigate how different artists represent the events of Christmas.				
	To investigate and match nativity scene artwork with relevant passages from the Bible about Jesus' birth.				
	To investigate the meanings of different Christmas art work (post it note comments).				
Evaluate		Working Towards	Within	Expected	Above
	To reflect on how artists represent the birth of Jesus and how that helps us to understand Christmas.				
Express		Working Towards	Within	Expected	Above
	To express artists meanings of the Christmas story within their own art work.				

Highlights: _____