



## Religious Education

Year: 6 Teacher: Mr. Merrington Week Beginning: 11<sup>th</sup> January 2021

Our statement this week is: I try to follow our school and classroom rules.

While at home try your best to stick to a routine like we do in school.

Last week we all had a think about a book that is special to us, I used an example of a book from my childhood that brought back fond memories. What book do we know of that is special to a great number of people? I'll give you a clue; it is the biggest selling book ever! Of course I am talking about the Bible. The Bible is a very special book to all Christians and the Old Testament is very special to Jewish people too.

There are seventy-three books in the Bible, forty-six in the Old Testament and twenty-seven in the New Testament. Nobody knows exactly when each book was written. We do know that it took a thousand years or more for all the books to be completed.

The New Testament contains the Gospels. The word Gospel means good news, there are four Gospels all written by a different author. The authors are Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. Mark was the first to write the Gospel.

### Task

Using a Bible you have at home (if you don't have one you can search for online Bibles to find passages) I would like you to find the same story in at least 2 different Gospels. For example, The Feeding of the 5000 is in all four Gospels (John 6, Luke 9, Mark 6 and Matthew 14). I would then like you to find some similarities and differences between the different versions.

For example: in Luke and Matthew's version of The Feeding of the 5000 they both have 5 loaves of bread and 2 fish. Also they both collect 12 baskets of leftovers after everyone had eaten their fill. Another similarity between the stories is that Jesus broke the bread, looked up to Heaven and blessed it. However the stories differ when the apostles offer to buy more food in Luke's gospel but not in Matthew's. Another difference is that in Luke's Gospel it mentions that they are in the city of Bethsaida whereas a city is not noted in Matthew's Gospel.