RE – Incarnation – Year 5 – Autumn 2

Vocabulary Top Ten:	
Advent	the special four-week period before Christmas that Christians use to get ready for the coming of Jesus
Christmas	a Christian holy day that marks the birth of Jesus, the Son of God
Elijah	Elijah was a special messenger from God, called a prophet, who lived in Israel a long, long time ago, even before Jesus was born.
Israel	In the Bible, Israel has a special and important meaning, referring to God's chosen people and the land promised to them
King David	King David is an important figure from the Old Testament of the Bible
messenger	a person or being sent by God with an important message for people. They act as a link between God and humanity to share God's word, guidance, and love
Messiah	Messiah is God's "Anointed One," a special leader sent to rescue people and put the world right.
Old Testament	the Old Testament is the first main part of the Bible. It contains a collection of holy stories and lessons written before Jesus was born, telling the history of God's relationship with the Jewish people.
prophecy	to receive a special message from God to share with others.
saviour	a rescuer or a hero who saves someone from danger or difficulty.

Incarnation

Jesus was Jewish. Christians believe Jesus is God in the flesh.

Christians believe that Jesus' birth, life, death and resurrection were part of a longer plan by God to restore the relationship between humans and God

The Old Testament talks about a 'rescuer' or 'anointed one' — a messiah. Some texts (like the one opposite) talk about what this 'messiah' would be like.

Christians believe that Jesus fulfilled these expectations, and that he is the Messiah however, Jewish people do not think Jesus is the Messiah.



How does this icon from our concept cards show incarnation?

How do these extracts show that Jesus was the Messiah?

The birth of Jesus: Matthew Chapter 1

18 This is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about. His mother Mary was engaged
to marry Joseph, but before they married, she learned she was pregnant by the
power of the Holy Spirit. 19 Because Mary's husband, Joseph, was a good man, he
did not want to disgrace her in public, so he planned to divorce her secretly.
20 While Joseph thought about these things, an angel of the Lord came to him in
a dream. The angel said, "Joseph, descendant of David, don't be afraid to take
Mary as your wife, because the baby in her is from the Holy Spirit. 21 She will give
birth to a son, and you will name him Jesus, because he will save his people from
their sins."
22 All this happened to bring about what the Lord had said through the prophet:
23 "The virgin will be pregnant. She will have a son, and they will name him
Immanuel, which means 'God is with us'."
24 When Joseph woke up, he did what the Lord's angel had told him to do.
Joseph took Mary as his wife.

The wise men: Matthew Chapter 2

1 Jesus was born in the town of Bethlehem in Judea during the time when
Herod was king. When Jesus was born, some wise men from the east came to
Jerusalem. 2 They asked, "Where is the baby who was born to be the king of the
Jews? We saw his star in the east and have come to worship him."
3 When King Herod heard this, he was troubled, as were all the people in Jerusalem.
4 Herod called a meeting of all the leading priests and teachers of the law and
asked them where the Christ would be born. 5 They answered, "In the town of
Bethlehem in Judea. The prophet wrote about this in the Scriptures:
6 'But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are not just an insignificant village
in Judah.
A ruler will come from you who will be like a shepherd for my people Israel.'"
Micah 5:2
7 Then Herod had a secret meeting with the wise men and learned from them
the exact time they first saw the star. 8 He sent the wise men to Bethlehem,
saying, "Look carefully for the child. When you find him, come tell me so I can
worship him too."
9 After the wise men heard the king, they left. The star that they had seen in the
east went before them until it stopped above the place where the child was.
10 When the wise men saw the star, they were filled with joy. 11 They came to the
house where the child was and saw him with his mother, Mary, and they bowed
down and worshipped him. They opened their gifts and gave him treasures of
gold, frankincense, and myrrh. 12 But God warned the wise men in a dream not to
go back to Herod, so they returned to their own country by a different way.

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