Title - Harvest Heroes

RE objective covered:

Unit L2.1 What do Christians learn from the creation story?

- Make clear links between Genesis 1 and what Christians believe about God and Creation
- Describe what Christians do because they believe God is Creator (e.g. follow God, wonder at how amazing God's creation is; care for the Earth some specific ways)
- Describe how and why Christians might pray to God, say sorry and ask for forgiveness
- Ask questions and suggest answers about what might be important in the Creation story for Christians and for non-Christians living today.

National Curriculum for History - a local history study

• A study of an aspect of history or a site dating from a period beyond 1066 that is significant in the locality

Welcome and introduction. If in church - safety briefing.

Objectives	Activities	Questions to ask	Resources
To show good oracy	Group discussion, on carpet -	What do you already know about Harvest	Video link
skills through both		Festival?	Storyteller Bible
speaking and	Listen to the Christian (and Jewish,	What do you know about the Creation Story?	(Laminated) pictures of
listening.	and Islamic) story of creation. Listen	Which parts of the Creation Story do you	the 7 days of creation
Make clear links	out for how many times God mentions	think are important to Christians and non-	separated to put back
between Genesis 1	that something is "good".	Christians today?	into order.
and what Christians			



believe about God and Creation.	Lion Storyteller Bible Team Game - who can put the Creation pictures in the right order first?	AFTER STORY - What does the story tell us about God? CHALLENGE QUESTION - How do you think we will link the Creation Story to Harvest Festival?	
Describe what Christians do because they believe God is Creator (e.g. follow God, wonder at how amazing God's creation is; care for the Earth some specific ways) Link to Exodus 23:16 & Deuteronomy 24:19	Harvest Festival is a time when Christians say thank you to God for His wonderful creation. Think about some wow things that the pupils have created and how they would like people to care for their creations. As Christians, we believe that just as God wants us to look after the world, he also wants the world to sustain (look after) us. This is why we want to say "Thank you" to God for all the food he gives us. This happens at harvest time. We also believe that there should be enough for everyone, which is why at harvest time when we have plenty of food, we try to share it with those who have less than us.	Which part(s) of God's creation are we thankful for at Harvest Festival? How do Christians show this? How can Christians, and non- Christians, look after the world? How can we keep it 'good' or 'very good'? CHALLENGE QUESTION - Does believing in God make a difference to how people look after the world?	Bible quotes (on PPT) Printed Bible quotes if there is no screen available



Local History link: A study of an aspect of history or a site dating from a period beyond 1066 that is significant in the locality	I wonder how and when Harvest Festivals in churches began Discuss Rev Robert Hawker and his ministry in Morwenstow in 1843.	Who can guess when the first Harvest Festival celebration was held? Who can guess WHERE it was held? Which county do we live in?	PPT - Robert Hawker, or photos to show the children.
Ask questions and suggest answers about what might be important in the Creation story for Christians and for non-Christians living today.	The story of Bread Explain that bread is an important part of Christianity and is used during the Communion Service. Children to share bread with adults	Why is bread important to Christians and non-Christians today? CHALLENGE QUESTION - What could bread be a symbol for? (ie. Does 'bread' always mean 'bread')	Video link
Describe how and why Christians might pray to God, say sorry and ask for forgiveness	Read A Special Loaf of Bread (Weekly Wisdom Blog) A Special Loaf of Bread	What does this story teach us about God and how He would like us to live? CHALLENGE QUESTION - How does this story link to the Creation story from the Bible? Why might Christians need to say sorry? Refer back to Deuteronomy 24:19 - When you are harvesting your crops and forget to bring in a bundle of grain from your field, don't go back to get it. Leave it for the foreigners, orphans and widows. Then the Lord your God will bless you in all you do.	Link or copy of story



Activity Time	Complete chosen activities either from the list provided or using ideas of your		
Plenary. Song. Prayer.	Own. Discuss today's learning. Sing "Harvest Samba" or another song of your choice. Invitational Prayer/Reflection time - your own, or the Church of England one provided in the last column.	What have you learned today that you didn't already know? What was your favourite part of the learning? What can we do, moving forward and starting today, to make the world 'very good'?	Harvest Samba (Cabbages and Greens) [with lyrics for congregations] Thank you, God for food, and family, and friends, we remember those who have no food today, and those who have food, but nobody to share it, As you have blessed us, help us be a blessing for others. Amen (From Church of England Website)

