P.2 C.R.E LESSON NOTES

TERM I

THEME: CHRISTIANS LIVING TOGETHER IN GOD'S FAMILY
SUBTHEME: My home and community
HOME:
A home is a place where people or animals live.

People found at home.

a) Father
b) Mother
c) Children

Roles of people found at home

a) Father
- A father heads a family.
- A father provides essential needs for his family.
- A father provides love and security.
- A father disciplines children who misbehave.
- A father buys food for the family.
- A father pays school fees.
- A father takes children to school.

b) Mother
- A mother cooks food
- A mother cares for children.
- A mother disciplines children.
- A mother buys food.
- A mother pays school fees.
- A mother takes children for immunization.

c) Children
- Children help in cooking.
- Children was utensils
- Children fetch water
- Children sweep the compound
- Children carry babies.
- Children obey and listen to elders.

God's message

Children and parents	Ephesians	6 – 4
	Matthew	14:15-21
	Galatians	5:3 – 14
Story of a Good Samaritan	Luke	10:25 – 37

A neighbour

A neighbour is a person who stays near you. You should love your neighbour as you love yourself. Gal. 5:13 – 14

Ways in which we can respect and care for our neighbours.

- Loving them
- Caring for them
- Helping them
- Sharing with them
- Praying for them
- Greeting them
- Co-operating with them

A community

A community is a group of people living and working together.

People found in the community.

a) Local leaders/local council members (LCs)
b) Local defence units (LDU)
c) Police officers
d) Religious leaders e.g. pastors, sheikhs, bishops, etc
e) Elders
f) Youths
g) Teachers
h) Doctors

Roles of people in the community

a) Local leaders/local council members
- To implement government policies
- To settle disputes

b) Police officers and LDUs
- To keep law and order
- Arrest wrong doers/law breakers

c) Religious leaders
- Preach the word of Allah/God
- Guide and counsel people

d) Elders
- Guide and counsel people
- Discipline those who misbehave

God's message

The parable of the unmerciful servant (Matthew 18: 21 – 22)

People who need help (needy people)

- Lame people
- Children
- Pregnant women
- Blind people
- Sick people
- Elderly

- Deaf people etc…

God's message

Jacob goes to Egypt *Genesis 47: 1 -12*
Galatians 5:13 – 14

Church/mosque

Is a place of worship.

People found in the church

a) Reverends
b) Pastors
c) Priests
d) Ushers
e) Bishops
f) Nuns
g) Monks

Roles of people found in the church

a) Priests, reverends, bishops, pastor
- They preach the word of God
- They guide and counsel people

b) Nuns, monks and ushers
- They help in church

God's message

A song of ascent of David Psalms 136:1

God's love through the church family.

Ways of showing God's love

- Through praying for the sick
- Through teaching the word of God
- Through sharing
- Through giving things to the needy people
- Through working together
- Through staying together in harmony

God's message

Jesus feeding 5000 people *Matthew 47: 1 – 12*
Aeneas and Dorcus *acts 5:13 – 14*

God's family

How we became members of God's family.

a) Through baptism

When we are baptized, we get Christian/religious names. For example

Boys	Girls
David	Susan
Peter	Diana
John	Resty
Paul	Catherine
Jacob	Annet
Tom	Stella

God's message: Matthew 1: 1 - 16

Jesus' baptism

Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist in river Jordan.

Events of Jesus' baptism

- The heaven was open to him.
- The spirit of God came to him in form of a dove.
- The voice of God spoke.

God's message

Jacob goes to Egypt Matthew 3:13 – 14

Prayer

A prayer is a way of communicating or talking to God.

Types of prayer

- Thanks giving prayer
- Prayer for the dead
- Prayer for the sick
- Prayer for dedicating children
- Prayer for war
- Prayer for protection
- Prayer for wisdom
- Prayer for provision

Lord's prayer

Our father who art in heaven
May your holy name be honoured
May your kingdom come
May your will be done on earth
As it is in heaven
Give us today the food we need
Forgive us the wrongs that others have done to us
Do not bring us hard testing but keep us from evil

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours
Forever and ever amen
Luke 11: 2 – 4

Importance of prayer

Why do people pray?

- To ask for forgiveness
- To talk to God
- To repent
- To thank God
- To worship God
- To praise God
- To ask for our needs

Ways of praying or communicating to God

- Through singing
- Through reading the bible
- Through praising
- Through worshipping

Bible

A bible is a holy book for Christians

Importance of God's word to Christians

- It guides people
- It helps us to know more about God.
- It restores our souls
- It promotes good morals in the community
- It gives us wisdom

Creation

Stages of creation

1st day	God created day and night
2nd day	sky
3rd day	earth, sea and plants
4th day	light and darkness i.e. moon, sun and stars
5th day	sea/water creatures and birds
6th day	man (in God's image)
7th day	God rested

Living and nonliving things in God's
Living things

- Plants
- Birds
- Animals
- Insects
- People

Nonliving things

- Stones
- Soil
- Rocks
- Mountains
- Lakes

Importance of God's creation

a) Plants
- They give us food
- They provide shade
- They provide shelter to animals and insects

b) Animals
- They provide food
- They provide skins and hides
- They provide manure
- They provide transport

c) Water
- It provides transport
- It is a home for aquatic life e.g. fish, crocodile
- It provides food e.g. fish
- It provides sand

Comparing human beings with other creations

- Human beings were created in God's image but other creatures were not.
- Human beings have free will but other creatures do not.
- Human beings have control over other creatures.
- Human beings have knowledge and wisdoms but others don't have.
- Human beings differentiate between good and bad but others don't.

Ways of caring for God's creation

- By watering plants
- By feeding animals
- By conserving the environment
- By weeding
- By thinning
- By pruning

God's message

Story of creation *Genesis 1:1 – 31*
Adam and Eve *Genesis 1:1 – 31*

How to use God's creation (environment)

- We use flowers for decoration
- We use trees to make furniture
- We use plants to get food. Shelter, firewood, shade, etc
- We use water for washing, transport, drinking, bathing and cooking
- We use some plants to make crafts

Knowing Jesus our friend
How was Jesus our friend?

- By praying for them
- By healing them e.g. Lazarus
- By feeding them
- By teaching them

God's message
Story of Zaccheaus Luke 5:1 – 11
Luke 5:17 – 26

How we can meet Jesus in our daily life.

- Through praying
- Through helping others
- Through giving gifts
- Through receiving gifts
- Through answering our prayers
- Through miracles

Ways of showing Jesus' example in our daily life

- By showing love to others
- By showing kindness to others
- By sharing with others

TERM II

THEME: CHRISTIANS LIVING TOGETHER IN GOD'S FAMILY

SUBTHEME: Knowing Jesus' love for us

Preparations and events of Jesus' meal with his disciples (last supper/meal)

What is last supper/meal?
The meal that Jesus had with his apostles before his death.

It is on Holy Thursday that we remember when Jesus had the last meal with his apostles.

The apostles of Jesus

Jesus had twelve apostles.

- Judas Iscariot
- Andrew
- James (son of Alpheus)
- Phillip
- John
- Thomas
- Bartholomew
- Simon the patriot
- Mathew
- Thaddeus
- James

Activity

1. Draw Jesus having his last meal with his apostles.
2. What happened on Holy Thursday?
3. Mention any five apostles of Jesus.

Events before and during Jesus' death.

- Jesus had twelve disciples
- Jesus expressed his love by sharing a special meal with his disciples.
- Peter and John were sent to prepare the meal.
- Judas Iscariot betrayed Jesus.
- Simon Peter denied Jesus three times.

Activity

1. How many apostles did Jesus have?
2. Name the apostles of Jesus that;
   a) Betrayed Jesus
   b) Denied him
3. What did Jesus serve his disciples on Holy Thursday?

Events during Jesus' death

- He suffered
- He was whipped
- He was crowned with thorns
- He was forced to carry his own cross
- He was abused and mocked
- The soldiers tore his clothes

- He cried in pain
- Jesus was crucified on a mountain Calvary at a place called Golgotha.
- Golgotha means the place of the skull.
- Joseph of the Alimethea asked for the body of Jesus and placed it in the tomb. John 15;12 – 14
- The day when Jesus was put on the cross is call "Good Friday."

Activity

1. Write down any two events that happened during Jesus' death.
2. What does Golgotha mean?
3. On which day was Jesus put on the cross?
4. Draw Jesus on the cross.

Events after Jesus' death

- He was buried and stayed in the tomb for three days.
- He rose on the third day on Sunday and we call it Easter Sunday
- He appeared to his disciples.
- Jesus' death shows love for everybody. John 15:12
- Jesus died on the cross to save us from our sins.

Activity

1. Why did Jesus die on the cross?
2. What happened on Easter Sunday?
3. What do we learn from the story of Jesus' death?
4. Dramatization – Jesus carrying the cross.

Important days

Good Friday	When Jesus was crucified
Easter Sunday	When Jesus rose from the dead
Easter Monday	When Jesus appeared to his apostles
Ascension Day	When Jesus went back to heaven
Pentecost Day	When Jesus sent the Holy spirit to his disciples

SUB THEME: WORSHIPPING GOD

Worshipping is the way of praising God.

Ways of worshipping God.

- Singing
- Dancing
- Clapping hands
- Playing musical instruments

- Reading the bible
- Praying

Places of worship

- Churches
- Mosques
- Shrines
- Temple

Activity

1. Draw these place of worship

Mosque	Church	Shrine

2. Give any two ways of worshipping God.

Reasons why we pray to God/worship

- We worship to show love to God.
- To talk to God
- To appreciate God
- To thank God
- To praise God

Occasions when we worship God

- On Sundays and other days
- At birth days, burials and wedding days

The events and meaning of Pentecost (Acts 2:1 – 11)

Pentecost means the day when the apostles received the Holy Spirit and spoke different languages.

They worshipped in different languages by the help of the Holy Spirit

Activity

1. Give any two reasons for worshipping.
2. When do we worship God?
3. Give the meaning of the word Pentecost.

Help of the Holy Spirit

- Helps us to get wisdom
- Gives us knowledge

- Gives us power to heal
- Gives us faith
- Gives us ability to speak strange language
- Helps us to know what is good or bad
- Ability to preach the word of God
- Ability to understand the word of God

Activity

1. Write down the importance of the Holy Spirit
2. Mention any two miracles that Jesus performed
3. What happened on the Pentecost day?
4. Draw a picture of people praying at home

SUBTHEME: SERVICE

Discovering the needs of other people (Mark 1:29 – 31)

Our needs

- We need food
- We need clothes
- Parents
- Homes
- Love and care
- Protection
- Water
- School fees
- God gives us all other needs
- We should pray to God for our needs

Activity

1. Draw these needs of people

Parents	Food	Houses	Clothes

2. Give any two things we ask from God while praying.

How Jesus showed his thoughtfulness (John 11:17 – 44)

- Tell the story of Jesus' visit to Lazarus.
- The sister of Lazarus, Mary and Martha.
- Jesus raise Lazarus from the dead.)John 11:17 – 47)

Caring for people with special needs

- Young children
- Lame people
- Blind people

- Old people
- Sick people
- Poor people
- Street children
- Pregnant women

Helping those people with special needs

- Taking the sick to hospital
- Taking care of young and old people
- Feeding young children
- Giving food and clothes to the poor
- Taking street children out of the street
- Telling them the word of God
- Advising them
- Counselling them
- Sharing with them
- Providing them with shelter
- Helping them carry heavy luggage
- Guiding them

Difficulties Jesus met in healing the sick (Mathew 12:9-11)

- Some people did not believe in him.
- Others used to mock him.
- Others did not listen to him
- Others were jealous

Ways in which we get discouraged as we help others.

- Some people may not listen to us.
- Others may not believe in us.
- Others can refuse to be helped.
- Others can pretend to have many needs than others.

Enduring when we get discouraged.

We should always pray to God to help us endure in helping the needy people just the same way that Jesus endured.

TERM III

THEME: CHRISTIANS LIVING TOGETHER IN GOD'S FAMILY

Learning Outcome: The child understands and appreciates the concepts and values of "Honesty and fairness.

Honesty and fairness

What is honesty?

The word honesty refers to telling the truth. Honesty comes from another word honest.

What id honest?

It means being truthful, direct and open

Who is a honest person?

A honest person is someone who tells the truth. The opposite of honesty is dishonesty.

Who is a dishonest person?

It means someone you cannot trust.

Examples of dishonesty amongst people.

- Stealing other people's property.
- Lying to others
- Forging statements
- Selling expired things
- Not keeping time as required
- Not fulfilling promises
- Intending to trick others into doing wrong

How dishonesty brings conflict

<u>The story of Cain and Abel</u>

Cain and Abel were the sons of Adam and Eve.

Cain grew crops and Abel kept flocks.

Cain and Abel gave offerings to God.

The Lord was happy with Abel's offering but not with Cain's.

Cain became jealousy and killed Abel.

The Lord cursed Cain.

What do we learn from this story?

- To love one another
- To forgive
- Not to kill
- To be honest
- To be fair

The story of Jacob and Rebecca

Rebecca was the wife of Isaac.

She produced twin boys, Esau and his young brother Jacob.

Isaac loved Esau but Rebecca loved Jacob.

Isaac grew very old and wanted to bless his first born son Esau.

Rebecca and Jacob lied (deceived) Isaac.

Isaac blessed Jacob instead of Esau.

Rebecca and Jacob were not honest and fair.

Esau became angry and wanted to kill Jacob.

What does the story teach us?

- To be honest and fair.
- To forgive those who wrong us.

Story of Esau and Jacob.

Esau and Jacob were brothers.

Esau was hardworking and his father loved him so much.

Isaac led to bless Esau.

Jacob stole Esau's blessing.

He deceived Isaac that he was Esau.

Jacob's act annoyed Esau. This caused a quarrel between them.

Exercise

1. What do you learn from the story of Esau and Jacob?
2. Was Jacob fair? Why?

The need for honest and its benefits.

Why should we be honest?

- To have friends
- To be trusted
- To be happy
- To have peace of mind
- To be employed at home
- To please God

Ways of being honest

Refer to Jesus as a honest man

- By telling the truth
- By keeping the promises
- By being faithful
- By being God fearing
- By being responsible
- By being helpful to others
- By sharing equally with others
- By not stealing

Occasions when we need to be fair/honest

Fairness means treating people equally

- When playing games and sports
- When marking examinations
- During elections
- When sharing something
- When giving rewards
- When giving punishments
- When judging the wrong/right

Ways of being unfair and dishonesty

- By stealing
- By not sharing
- By abusing
- By teasing

Effects of dishonesty

- Quarrels
- Trauma
- Loneliness
- Fights
- Homeless
- Death
- Conflicts
- Lame
- School drop out
- Loss of jobs

SUBTHEME: Concerns for others

Learning outcome; The child shows concern for others and appreciates the importance of kindness and generosity to those in need.

Concern for others

What is showing concern for others?

- Is feeling sorry and having a wish to help others.
- Is caring for the feelings of others and doing what we can to make others feel better.

Story of David and Jonathan

Saul was the king of Israel.

Jonathan was the son of Saul.

Jonathan was David's friend.

David became famous and it annoyed Saul.

King Saul wanted to kill David.

Jonathan showed concern for David by defending him.

Questions

1. Who was Saul?
2. Who was the son of Saul?
3. Why was David famous?
4. Why did King Saul want to kill David?

Story of Widow and Elisha

The poor old widow had debts and creditors wanted to take her only sons as slaves.

Elisha showed concern for old widow.

He prayed to God and the widow's little oil multiplied (increased)

The widow sold the oil and paid all the debts.

<u>What do we learn from this story?</u>

- To have trust in God.
- To help those in need.
- God is powerful (performs miracle)
- God provides people's needs
- We learn to pay our debts

Activity:

Draw the old widow filling the many jars oil.

Ways of showing concern.

- By helping
- By sharing

- By directing
- By praying for the sick
- By caring for others.

Story of Ruth and Naomi

Naomi was a widow

Her husband and two sons had died

She was left poor and helpless.

Ruth was Naomi's daughter-in-law

Ruth decided to stay with Naomi for all of her life.

Activity

Children will act (dramatise) the story.

Why God gave us the greatest gift?

God gave us his only begotten son, Jesus Christ to protect us from doing bad things and also forgiving us our wrongs.

Christians remember the birth of Jesus on every 25th of December of the year and that day is called Christmas.

God wants us to behave well in order to live happily like Jesus Christ.

Question; What happens during Christmas?

<u>The importance of giving to others</u>

- To promote love
- To promote friendship
- To promote unity
- To please God
- To get blessings

Examples of gifts

- Christmas cards
- Money
- Shoes
- Watch
- Milk
- Clothes

Why do we give gifts

- To show love
- To keep good relationships
- To make friends
- To make others happy
- To appreciate others
- We give gifts to the needy people

Importance of giving gifts

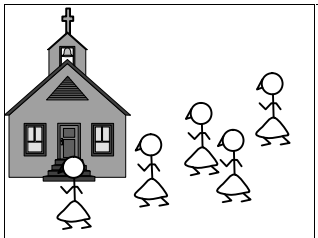
- It keeps a good relationship with others
- It shows love
- You make friends
- You make others happy
- You show others appreciate
- You serve the needy people

SUBTHEME: GOD'S GIFT OF HIS SON.

Learning outcome: The child knows Jesus as God's greatest gift to us and appreciates celebrating Christmas.

God's promise to give us His Son

Draw the pictures of Christmas events

			
People at church	Eating food	Father Christmas	Gifts

Matthew 1:21

<u>Story of Jesus' birth</u>

One day, a baby boy was born by the Virgin Mary.

The baby was named Jesus Christ.

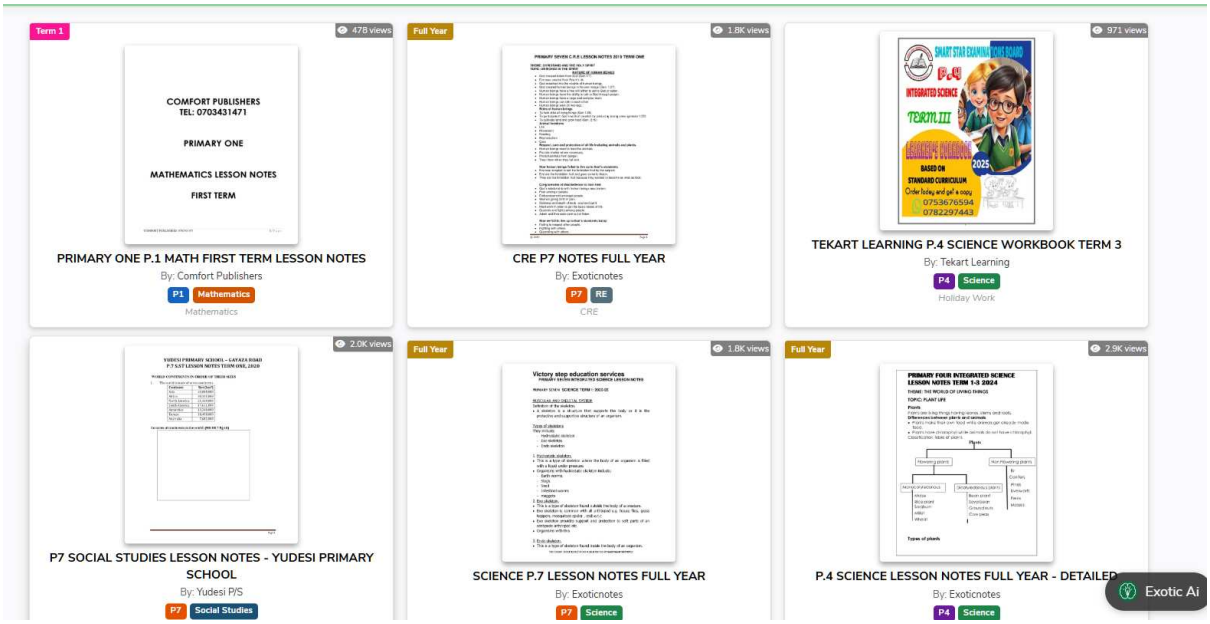
God gave us His Holy son, Jesus Christ, to protect us from doing bad things.

Christians remember the birth of Jesus on every 25th of December. That day is call Christmas day.

God gave us Jesus Christ so that we become his friends again.

Refer: MK Standard RE book 2 page 85 – 86.

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