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We should know ourselves and appreciate that our value and uniqueness is central to our wellbeing.

Everyone is made in the image and likeness of God. He made His son, Jesus, into human form to help us learn from His example here on earth.

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We have all been gifted with different human qualities which can be developed.

# OURSELVES

Year 5 Topic 1



## OUR BIG QUESTION

Who am I? What makes me unique?

### SCRIPTURE



Genesis 1: 26 - 28 - Creation story

### REFLECTION

Father, creator of all,  
you 'ordered the earth' to bring forth life  
and crowned its goodness by  
creating family life.  
Teach us the beauty of human love,  
show us the value of family life  
and help us to live in peace  
with everyone.  
Amen.

## KEY VOCABULARY

qualities talents  
unique challenge  
responsibility dignity  
peacemaker  
'Made in God's image  
and likeness'

Definitions	Explanation	Related images
<p><b>Creation story</b> Genesis 1</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>From the book of <b>Genesis</b>:</li> <li>It is written as <b>poetry</b> to help Christians understand God</li> <li>It is <i>not a literal story</i> of how God starts with Adam and Eve were entrusted to care for it</li> <li><b>Link:</b> Pope Francis writes <b>Laudato Si: Care for our common home</b> which is too large and something must be done to prevent the destruction of our world as we know it through climate change, deforestation etc.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>God as 'Our Father'</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Prophet Hosea 11: 1-4</b></li> <li>As Christians, we believe God is our ultimate Heavenly Father and we are all united as one family through His Love</li> <li>His sacrifice shows His unconditional love for us</li> <li>He guides us and teaches us right from wrong, just as our parents do</li> <li>The <b>Our Father prayer</b> unites us</li> </ul>	

**Fr  
Maximillian  
Kolbe**  
(saint, martyr)

- Inspired to spread the Good News through printing newspapers
- In **WW2**, although He was not Jewish, Fr Maximillian was arrested as a **political prisoner** and taken to **Auschwitz concentration camp**
- He smuggled in bread and wine to say secret mass and he prayed for and bless those around him who were dying from the extreme conditions
- He **prayed the Rosary daily** while in the concentration camp and had **visions of Mary** – this gave him strength to carry on
- He sacrificed his life for another prisoner, making him a **martyr** (someone who dies because of their beliefs)
- **Link: John 15: 13** – ‘Greater love has no man than to lay down his life for his friends.’
- **Link: Gospel Value of Service:** putting other people before ourselves.

