

CHRIST CHURCH
BECKENHAM
KIDS

12th April | Easter Sunday

Happy Easter! Today we celebrate Jesus being resurrected after being killed on a cross three days earlier on Good Friday. In this Activity Pack there are lots of Easter based things to make and do. At Easter time you'll see a lot of eggs, that's because they are a symbol for new life. That's what Easter is all about: New life. Jesus defeats death and opens up a way for us to experience this new life too.

EGG & SPOON RACE

First hard boil some eggs, then challenge your family to an egg and spoon race!

After your race eat your boiled egg for breakfast or lunch...

For an extra challenge try to cut the top of it off and scrape out the egg leaving the shell undamaged. If you can manage it, there are some crafts that you can use the shell for later. (if not there is another way of getting a hollow egg shell)

GOOD FRIDAY

On Good Friday we remember that Jesus was killed on a cross. Good Friday can seem like a sad day or even a strange day to celebrate.

But we do celebrate because we know that the story continues... Jesus is raised to life. The cross becomes a symbol of hope not of death.

The Bible tells us that Jesus died to take away our sins, the stuff we do that takes us away from what God wants for us and our world.

EASTER HUNT

Have a look around your house or garden to see if there is anything you can make a cross out of. Then ask an adult to hide the cross and some eggs around the garden for you to find.

Before this part of the story Jesus has died on the cross and had been buried in a tomb with a HUGE stone blocking the entrance but the Pharisees didn't think it was going to be enough...

Easter Sunday | Matthew 27:62-28:10(GNT)

The next day, which was a Sabbath, the chief priests and the Pharisees met with Pilate and said, "Sir, we remember that while that liar was still alive he said, 'I will be raised to life three days later.' Give orders, then, for his tomb to be carefully guarded until the third day, so that his disciples will not be able to go and steal the body, and then tell the people that he was raised from death. This last lie would be even worse than the first one."

"Take a guard," Pilate told them; "go and make the tomb as secure as you can."
So they left and made the tomb secure by putting a seal on the stone and leaving the guard on watch.

After the Sabbath, as Sunday morning was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb. Suddenly there was a violent earthquake; an angel of the Lord came down from heaven, rolled the stone away, and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. The guards were so afraid that they trembled and became like dead men.

The angel spoke to the women. "You must not be afraid," he said. "I know you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; he has been raised, just as he said. Come here and see the place where he was lying. Go quickly now, and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from death, and now he is going to Galilee ahead of you; there you will see him!' Remember what I have told you."

So they left the tomb in a hurry, afraid and yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples.

Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Peace be with you." They came up to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. "Do not be afraid," Jesus said to them. "Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me."

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- Why were they guarding the tomb?
 - Why does it matter that Jesus was raised from the dead?

EGG SHELL PEOPLE

If you have a hollowed out egg shell you can use that... But if you haven't you can always try egg blowing! The instructions are on the right. Or, alternatively you can just use a normal or hard boiled egg to paint and draw on.

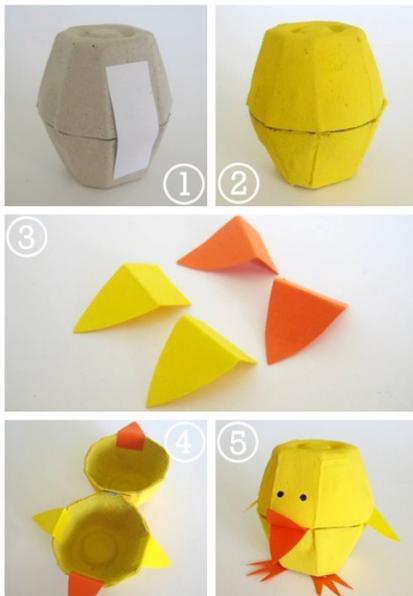
Can you create a person with your egg?
Maybe you could even try to make a character from today's Bible story?

If you've used a hollow egg, fill the shell with cotton wool for hair and draw on the outside of the shell. If you have any cress seeds you could dampen the cotton wool and shake on some cress seeds (you might need to wait until we can easily get to the shops for these!)

These guys were made using loo roll tubes as bodies!



EGG BOX CHICK



Prayer Activity

For today let's spend some time praying for our families. It's been quite hard for some of us to get our heads around everything that is going on.

It's good to pray for:

- Everyone in your house right now
- Those you are missing
- Your family and friends who are scared or worried about their health
- Young children who might not understand all the changes.

Dear God, we thank you for our families and all those around us. Help us to live well together and to remember the hope that we have in you. Amen.

EGG BLOWING

For you older ones you could give this a go!

To blow an egg you'll need:

1 Egg, 1 Nail/toothpick/thin screwdriver and a bowl.

1. Use the sharp thing to put a hole in the top and bottom of the egg. Give it a little wiggle to break the yoke inside.
2. Over the bowl, blow into the top hole of the egg. The insides should fall out into the bowl after a few blows.
3. Rinse the egg with water, getting the inside too.
4. Leave to dry and then paint!

EASTER GARDENS

One of the key moments in the Easter story is people finding the tomb empty.

Make an Easter garden. Have a look at Karen's (one of the CCB:Kids Team's) Easter gardens below. What has she used?

What do you have around that you could use?
You could use some Duplo, Lego or Happyland!
What will you use?



If you have a sweet tooth you can have a go at making your Easter Garden with icing and a Jammie Dodger as the entrance to the tomb!



Worship

It's so good to praise God with songs and actions. Why not end this resource with some worship music. Here's a few ideas:

[HAPPY DAY](#) - Hillsong

[ALL THROUGH HISTORY](#)

[WHY DO YOU LOOK HERE FOR THE LIVING?](#)

We would love to see any of the crafts or things you've done from today's resource. Comment with them on Facebook @ccbeckenhamkids or email ed@ccb.org.uk

Quiz

Have a go at this quiz with your family.

If you aren't sure of the answer look up the verse that goes with the question.

The answers are on the bottom of the page!

Level 1 - Easier

- 1) I betrayed Jesus for 30 pieces of silver.
Who am I? (Clue: Matthew 26:14-15)
- 2) Jesus rode into Jerusalem on me.
Who am I? (Clue: Matthew 21:7)
- 3) I denied Jesus three times before the cock crowed.
Who am I? (Clue: John 18:15-27)
- 4) I was crucified beside Jesus.
Who am I? (Clue: Matthew 27:38)
- 5) I told the woman at the tomb not to be afraid.
Who am I? (Clue: Matthew 28:5-6)

Level 2 - A bit trickier!

- 1) When Jesus was on the cross he asked me to take care of his Mum.
Who am I? (Clue: John 19:26)
- 2) Jesus was buried in my tomb.
Who am I? (Clue: Mark 15:43-44)
- 3) I was the High Priest who accused Jesus and wanted him dead.
Who am I? (Clue: John 11:49)
- 4) They brought Jesus to me for his trial but I found no guilt in him.
Who am I? (Clue: John 19:4)
- 5) I went early to Jesus tomb and found the stone rolled away.
Who am I? (Clue: John 20:1)

EASTER WORDSEARCH

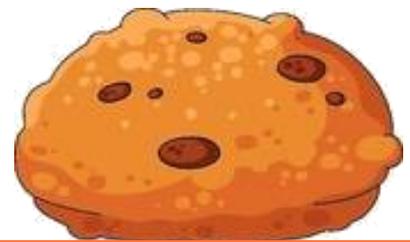
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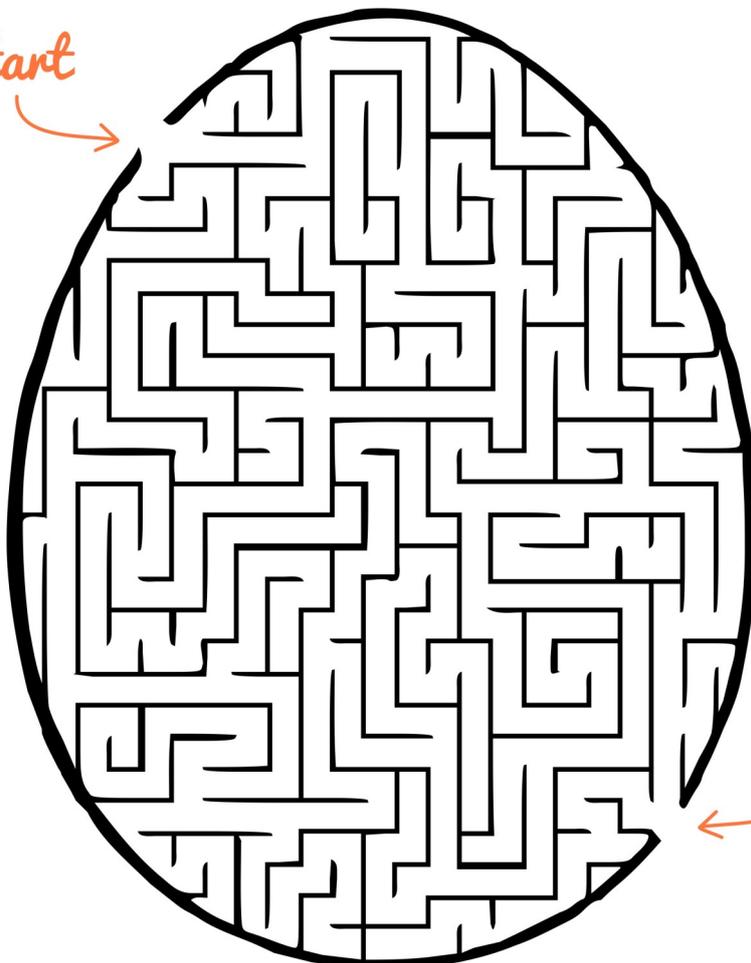
ROCK CAKES

If you have some extra time this week why not have a go at making rock cakes as a family to remember the rock or stone that was rolled away from the entrance of Jesus' tomb.

There are so many recipes online so just find one that you have all the ingredients for. As time goes by this seems to be getting a little easier!



Start



End



