

*God said, "I command lights to appear in the sky and to separate day from night and to show the time for season, special days, and years."*

*Genesis 1:14*

Dear Parents/Carers,

There is a lot of uncertainty at the moment, with extra pressures being placed on families. During these difficult times we take comfort in God's word and promises. I would love to also be supporting your families in whatever ways I can. Please let me know how I can be praying for your families or how you would like support.

I hope that your children are enjoying the wonder of the world that God created. Viewing God's creation through the eyes of children brings a new dimension of wonder and awe. This week we are looking at God's happiness in the creation of the Sun, Moon and Stars.

Blessings,  
Jess

### Supplies

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- Children's Bible
- Craft Supplies depending on craft – see end of document
- M&M's, blocks or balls, pom poms in the colours: green, blue, red, yellow and orange
- Optional: torch, shiny objects, star, sun or moon toys/craft supplies

### Worship

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- Whole Wide World - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bHvGLEMjMWE>
- This Little Light of Mine - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cKkbIZtqhyQ>

### Bible Verse

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Today's Bible verse is Genesis 1:14a. Read this slowly with your children having them repeat each word after you. You may even like to clap out the words.

"God said, "I command lights to appear in the sky and to separate day from night.""

### Prayer

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Today we are going to be doing a m&m prayer, this prayer activity will work with anything that has the colours green, blue, red, yellow and orange (e.g. balls, craft pom poms, blocks). Each colour corresponds to a different area that we can be

thankful to God to. Red is for a person, Yellow a place, Green an animal, Blue a toy, Orange a food. As your children pick an m&m from a bowl they pray for that certain colour topic. This prayer activity teaches children to give thanks for all different areas of life and the need to turn this thanks to God.

### Story Time

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This week's session covers God creating the sun, moon and stars. Before we start, spend 5 minutes helping your children build the sun, moon and stars. They might light to draw these or build them with blocks or playdoh, or use a torch to represent the different lights or find some shiny objects around the house that represent the stars.

In their children's Bible open up to the story of Creation. Point out to your children that this is the very first story in the Bible, which is God's word. You may like to point out the different areas of creation that we have already looked at.

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When God created the world, a very long time ago, he made light and he made dark. Next, God made the blue sky, green grass and the wavy ocean. *(If you are making the popsicle days of creation you can use them here)*

God wasn't finished yet, next he said, "I will put a big light in the blue sky." So, God put the big yellow light in the sky and called it the sun. *Children can form a big circle with their hands to represent the sun.*

What about in the dark night sky? God made the big round moon to light the night sky. *Children make a smaller circle with their hands to represent the moon as it is not as bright as the sun.*

What else did God put in the night sky? Beautiful, twinkling stars. *Children can make twinkling motions with their fingers.*

God stopped and looked at his sun, moon and stars and he said, "It is good!" God really loves his creation. We can say thank you to God. *Children can pray with you "Thank you, God for the sun, moon and stars. Thank you, for your beautiful world."*

## Craft

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### *Popsicle Sticks Days of Creation*

Each week as we look at the next day of God's creation your children will make a stick to represent what God created that day. This way each week as you make the new day you can easily revise what God had already created.

This craft can be done with paper, crayons and pencils, popsicle sticks (or any stick) and sticky tape.



### *Play-Doh Creation*

With preferably yellow Play-Doh help children to flatten the Play-Doh with their hands. With cookie cutters in star or circle or half-moon cut out the different shapes to create a picture of today's story. As your children make their creations, ask them if it makes them happy that they have created something beautiful. Remind them that God is very happy with His beautiful creation.

This link is for an easy no cook Play Dough recipe:

<https://www.bestrecipes.com.au/recipes/no-cook-playdough-recipe/v7a0hvfX>

### *Paint Stamps*

Using materials such as sponges or cardboard cut out moon, star and sun shapes. Children can then dip these in paint to stamp them onto a piece of paper to create today's story.



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