**Easter vocabulary…**

**Before Easter**

Mardi Gras = Shrove Tuesday = Pancake Day – Ostatki – the last day of carnival; people eat a lot of pancakes on that day and in Liberal (the USA) and Olney (England) there is the International Pancake Day

Lent – Wielki Post – in the Christian Church this is the period of forty days before Easter

Ash Wednesday – Środa Popielcowa – the first day of Lent

Palm Sunday – Niedziela Palmowa – it begins Easter time and commemorates the day when Jesus rode into Jerusalem and was greeted by people with palm branches

Holy Week – Wielki Tydzień – the week before Easter Sunday

Maundy Thursday = Holy Thursday – Wielki Czwartek – the day which commemorates the Last Supper of Jesus Christ and the Apostles

Good Friday – Wielki Piątek – the day which commemorates the crucifixion of Jesus Christ and His death on Calvary

Easter Eve – Wielka Sobota – the Saturday before Easter

Easter Sunday – Niedziela Wielkanocna – the day of Christ’s resurrection (coming back to life)

**Easter games**

egg-shackling – two children crack eggs against each other – zabawa polega na tym, że dwie osoby uderzają ugotowanymi jajkami; wygrywa ten, którego jajko się nie stłucze

egg-rolling – children roll their eggs down the slope – w tej zabawie dzieci turlają jajka ze szczytu jakiegoś wzniesienia; wygrywa ten, którego jajko pozostanie w całości po takiej eskapadzie

egg hunt – children look for Easter eggs hidden somewhere in a park or garden – to zabawa w poszukiwanie ukrytych jajek; jajka zwykle są schowane gdzieś w parku czy ogrodzie

**Easter symbols**

dyed eggs – pisanki – they symbolise a new life

Easter Lamb – Baranek Wielkanocny – the symbol of Risen Christ

Easter Hare or Easter Rabbit – Zajączek Wielkanocny (lub króliczek) – it lays Easter eggs

lilly – lilia – a flower that symbolise beauty and chuch

daffodil – żonkil – a yellow flower that symbolise spring

**Easter food**

hard-boiled eggs – jajka gotowane na twardo

hot-cross buns – bułeczki z krzyżem wypiekane w Wielki piątek – small buns with a cross on them baked and eaten on Good Friday

cheesecake – sernik – a cake made of cheese