



ST ANDREW'S C of E INFANT SCHOOL

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Our RE Curriculum

Intent

At St. Andrew's Church of England Primary School, the aim of Religious Education is to help children to acquire and develop knowledge and understanding of Christianity and the other principal religions represented in Great Britain. We aim to understand the way that religious beliefs shape our lives and our behaviour, develop the ability to make reasoned and informed judgements about religious and moral issues and enhance our spiritual, moral, social and cultural development.

St. Andrew's pupils will also be taught to understand and use appropriate vocabulary linked to their R.E. curriculum, which will support their development in other curriculum areas such as English too.

Implementation

Our curriculum follows the Blackburn Diocesan Board of Education R.E. Syllabus for Church Schools. This is entitled Questful R.E. and is creative and challenging for our children in school.

The programme of study develops an understanding of the Old Testament and the New Testament and supports children to sequence the timeline of the Bible. RE is taught in single year groups. For each unit, a series of inspiring lessons are planned, with clear knowledge-based learning objectives and progressive subject-specific vocabulary. Although key celebrations such as Christmas and Easter may be visited many times during a child's time in school, a different aspect and learning experience will be covered, so that progression can be seen in the quality and depth of learning.

Our pupils are challenged through reflective questioning and enquiry based learning. We promote reflective thinking and questioning, and encourage our children to dive deeper into their learning journey. Teachers assess learning in Religious Education against the Blackburn Diocese ladder of expectation. Our curriculum is delivered through highly effective quality first teaching.

At St Andrew's, Religious Education is taught every week and visits from the local clergy are encouraged. Katy Turner, our local Children's Ministry Coordinator, plays an active role on our school community and supports our worship and Religious Education lessons within school.

Evidence of work in Religious Education can be found in children's RE books, on wall displays, in collective worship, in class worship and in the way both children and adults treat and respect each other.



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Enrichment opportunities, including outdoor learning, inspirational visitors (Christianity and other faiths) and exciting educational visits, provide our children with rich experiences and enhance teaching, learning and knowledge. Our Religious Education curriculum promotes children's Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural development, ensuring that they are reflective and responsible citizens. Fundamental British Values are actively promoted in Religious Education lessons in order to prepare the children for life in Modern Britain. Christianity is central to the teaching of Religious Education, taking up 80% of the available time. Teaching other world faiths and world views are also included.

In addition to the RE curriculum, the children take part in a daily act of Worship. Each class has their own reflection area that provides them with activities and Bible readings that they can explore and a quiet space for them to pray or reflect. Daily prayer is delivered in class at lunch time and home time.

Impact

Learning in Religious Education will be enjoyed throughout school. Teachers will have high expectations and high quality evidence presented in a variety of forms. Our children will have an education that will develop them spiritually, socially, academically, emotionally and morally to enable them to better understand themselves and others and to cope with the opportunities, challenges and responsibilities of living in a rapidly changing, multicultural world.