

'God's love shines through us by the work of our hands'

let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. (Matt. 5:14-16)

We are a church school where education is nourished through the teachings of Jesus Christ, enabling each child to fulfil their potential and which reflects our commitment to academic excellence.

Religious Education

Intent:

We believe that every child is unique at Norley and this is reflected within our mission statement: *The love of God shines through us by the work of our hands*. Religious Education at Norley CE is an integral part of the children's education, with emphasis based upon respect for each other, of the local and wider community. We engage our children's curiosity through exploring the study of the Christian Faith, other Faiths and Beliefs, so as to promote their personal, spiritual, moral, social and cultural development.

We want children to:

• To know about and understand Christianity as a diverse global living faith through the exploration of core beliefs using an approach that critically engages with biblical text.

• To gain knowledge and understanding of a range of religions and worldviews appreciating diversity, continuity and change within the religions and worldviews being studied.

- To engage with challenging questions of meaning and purpose raised by human existence and experience.
- To recognise the concept of religion and its continuing influence on Britain's cultural heritage and in the lives of individuals and societies in different times, cultures and places.
- To explore their own religious, spiritual and philosophical ways living, believing and thinking.

Implementation:

The skills which are developed through a sequence of lessons enable the children to build upon their knowledge and allow for progression throughout the school. Religious Education is taught on a weekly basis, and is sometimes delivered through a class topic or as a whole-school RE day. Christian values are celebrated within the classroom ethos, throughout school and during our whole school collective worship. We welcome our local church in weekly and to celebrate the events within the church calendar providing the children with the opportunity to recognise the importance of the wider Christian community.

Lessons are planned and delivered in a variety of ways ensuring that all children can access and participate in lessons. Interactive, practical activities encourage the children to discuss their ideas and extend their understanding of difficult concepts and challenging questions.

Pupils' progress in RE is based on the expected outcomes outlined in the Questful RE, the syllabus we use, supplemented by Understanding Christianity, which in turn, have been developed in line with guidance produced nationally. Religious Education is a statutory subject which is reported to parents at the end of the year.

Impact:

The structure of the RE curriculum ensures the children have the opportunity to be consistent and build upon previous skills and knowledge. The children access a varied program of study. All the children have the opportunity to interpret and respond in a personal and respectful way to the RE being taught. Here, the children can express and refine initial ideas, develop further their understanding and answer questions critically, in order to produce work of a high standard, which is valued and celebrated throughout school.

Long Term Plans Using Questful RE

Cycle A September 2024 Cycle B September 2023

In all the grids below

The black type is the Unit Title and Christianity question.

The mustard type is the World Faith question.

The red type indicates which world faiths could be studied.

EYFS and Key Stage 1 in 2 classes

EYFS &	Autumn	Spring	Summer
KS1 in 2			
classes			
R	EYFS 1: I am Special	EYFS 3 Special People	EYFS 8 Friendship
	Why are we all different and special?	Why do Christians believe Jesus is special?	What makes a good friend?
		Founders of leaders of Faith	EYFS 9 Special Places
	EYFS 2 Harvest: Why do	Buddhism Islam sikhism	What makes a place holy?
	people of faith say thank you to		Hinduism Islam
	God at Harvest time?	EYFS 5 Stories Jesus heard	
		What stories did Jesus hear	
	EYFS 11 Special Times	when he was a child?	EYFS 10 Prayer
	How do you celebrate special		What is prayer?
	times?	EYFS 6 Stories Jesus told.	Hinduism Islam Judaism
	Hinduism Islam Judaism Sikhism	Why did Jesus tell stories?	
	EYFS 4 Christmas: How do Christians celebrate Jesus' birthday? Why do Hindus light candles at Diwali? Hinduism	EYFS 7 Easter Why do Christians believe that Easter is all about Love?	

Year 1/2	1.1 Harvest: How can we help	2.3 Jesus: Why did Jesus	2.5 The Church: Why is the church a special place for Christians?
Cycle A	those who do not have a good harvest?	welcome everyone?	Why are holy buildings important to people of faith? Hinduism Islam Judaism
	How do people of Jewish faith celebrate the harvest? Judaism	2.4 Easter: How do Symbols help us understand the Easter story?	
	1.2 Creation: What are your favourite things that God created?What do people of Muslim and Hindu faith believe about how God made the world?Hinduism Islam	2.6 Ascension and Pentecost: What happened at the Ascension and Pentecost?	
	 2 1.3 Christmas: Why do we give and receive gifts? Hinduism Islam 2.2 Christmas: Why was the birth of Jesus such good news? 		

Year 1 / 2	2.1 The Bible: Why is the		1.7 Baptism: Why is baptism special?
Cycle B	Bible such a special book? Do	1.5 Easter: What do you think is	How do people of World Faiths welcome new babies?
	people of all World Faiths	the most important part of the	Hinduism Islam Sikhism
	have holy books?	Easter Story?	
	Islam Judaism Sikhism		S5 Christian Art: How do Christians express their faith through art?
			How do people of faith express their beliefs through art?
		1.4 Jesus: What made Jesus	Hinduism Islam Judaism
	1.9 My world Jesus world:	special?	
	How is the place where Jesus		
	lived different from now?	1.8 Joseph: Why is Joseph a	
	Judaism	Bible hero?	
	2.7 Christmas		
	Why do people in the Nativity story travel to Bethlehem?		

KS2 - 2	Autumn	Spring	Summer
classes			
Year 3 /4 Cycle A	 3.6 Harvest: How do people of faith say thank you to God for the harvest? How do people of faith say thank you to God for the harvest? Judaism Hinduism 3.1 Called by God: What does it mean to be called by God? Local Faith Leaders: Who are they and what do they do? Hinduism Islam Judaism Sikhism 	 4.3 Jesus: Why do Christians believe Jesus is the Son of God? Why do Jewish people believe that the Sabbath/Shabbat is so important? Judaism 3.4 Easter: Is the cross a symbol of sadness or joy? 	 3.5 Rules for Living: Which rules should we follow? Does everybody follow the same rules? Why? Why not? Buddhism Islam Sikhism 4.6 Prayer: What is prayer? How do people of World Faiths pray? Buddhism Hinduism Islam Judaism
	4.2 Christmas: Why is Jesus described as the light of the world? Why is light an important symbol in world faiths? Judaism		
Year3 4 Cycle B	4.1 David and the Psalms: What values do you consider to be important?	3.3 Jesus: How did/does Jesus change lives?	4.5 The Church: Are all churches the same?Are all places of worship the same? Do people worship God in the same way?Hinduism Islam Judaism Sikhism
	3.2 Christmas: How does the presence of Jesus Impact on people's lives?	4.4 Easter: A story of betrayal or trust?What do world faiths say about forgiveness?Hinduism Islam Judaism Sikhism	S10 Proverbs: Is the book of proverbs still relevant today?

Year 5 + 6	5.1 The Bible: How and why do Christians read the	5.3 Jesus: Why do Christians believe Jesus was a great	6.6 God: What is the nature and character of God?
Cycle A	Bible? Why are sacred texts so important to people of	teacher?	Have you discovered any beliefs about God in common across different faiths? Hinduism Islam
	faith? Hinduism Islam Judaism Sikhism	6.4 Jesus (Easter): Who was Jesus? Who is Jesus? Who was Jesus?	5.5 Old Testament women: Did she make the right
	6.2 Advent: How do Christians prepare for Christmas?	Buddhism Hinduism Islam Judaism Sikhism	choice? Did she make the right choice? Judaism
Year 5 + 6 Cycle B	6.1 Life as a journey: Is every person's journey the same? Why do people of faith	6.3A The Exodus: Why is the Exodus such a significant event in Jewish and Christian history? Judaism	5.9 St Paul: How did the news of Jesus' resurrection spread around the world?
	make pilgrimages? Hinduism Islam Judaism Sikhism	6.3 The Eucharist: Why do Christians celebrate the Eucharist?	6.7 People of faith: How does having faith affect people's lives?How does having faith affect people's lives?Buddhism Hinduism Islam
	5.2 Christmas. How do our celebrations reflect the true meaning of Christmas?	5.4 Easter: Why do Christians believe that Easter is a celebration of victory?	