

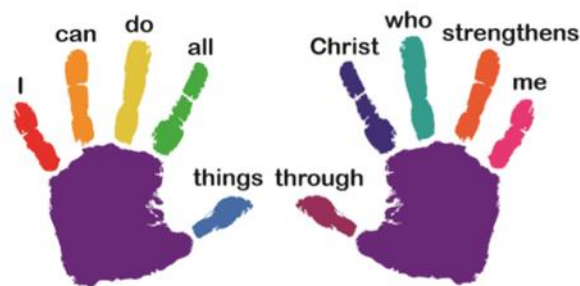


Religious Education

INTENT

Religious Education has a high profile within the Mark First and Pre-School CE curriculum and makes a significant contribution to preparing pupils for life in modern Britain.

We believe that Religious Education in a Church school, should enable every child to flourish and live life in all its fullness. We aim to create a love of learning where everyone is respected and encouraged to reach their full potential.



Philippians 4:13

'The Religious Education curriculum will help educate for dignity and respect encouraging all to live life well together.'
(RE Statement of Entitlement 2019)

We believe that the moral concerns of caring for individuals and contributing to the community in a positive way is cross curricular and underpins everything we do in school. These values are fundamental to the vision of this Church of England foundation school.



IMPLEMENTATION

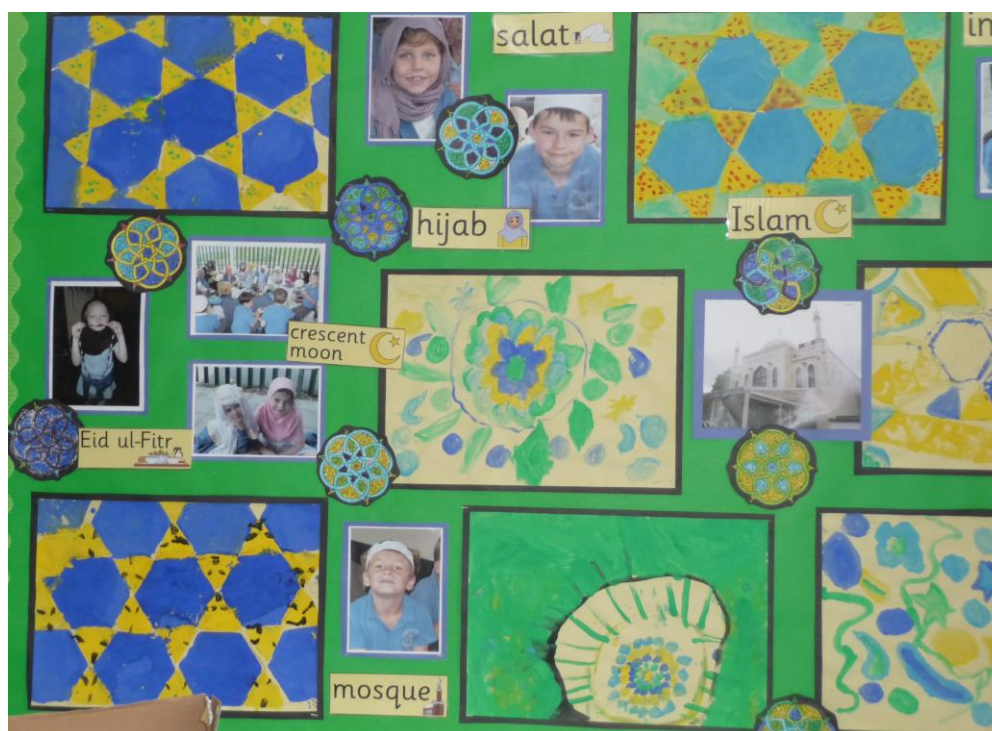
Our RE curriculum is shaped using the Somerset agreed syllabus, 'Awareness, Mystery and Value' (2019) which is enquiry based. In following this syllabus, RE will be taught discretely as part of the weekly timetable, through cross curricular activities and where appropriate through, a blocked unit of study within the curriculum.

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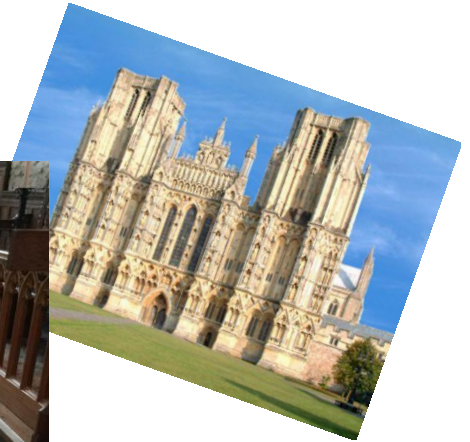
We meet the statutory requirements for teaching RE and our SIAMS inspection in January 2024 found that we are living up to our foundation as a Church School.

We have been awarded the 'Barbara Agutter' Award twice for high quality work in Religious Education.

'Inter-Faith Week' is celebrated each year and has helped the children learn about Christianity, but also find out more about other faiths and beliefs in our wider community. The children have had opportunities to explore similarities and differences between the different faiths and to develop a culture of respect, understanding and tolerance.



Our school has excellent links with our local Church. We use the Church for our Christmas and end of year productions and also classes visit to support the curriculum. Representatives from Mark Church come to school regularly for Collective Worship. Year 4 children also visit Wells Cathedral for a special leavers' day.



IMPACT

'RE is an enjoyable and inspiring subject at the heart of this Christian school curriculum'

'Pupils find the curriculum inspires learning and is challenging, motivating and relevant to their own lives'

'They are encouraged to reflect and think about their own beliefs and those of others'

(SIAMS 2024)

RE is assessed against the EYFS statements especially in the areas of Understanding the World and Personal, Social and Emotional Development.

RE in Key Stage 1 and 2 is assessed against the assessment objectives in the Awareness, Mystery and Value RE syllabus (2019).

