



Religion and Worldviews Intent, Implementation and Impact

Our Intent

At St Cuthberts Church of England Infants and Pre School our children learn about different religious beliefs, so that they can better understand the world around them. We are proud of our Christian distinctiveness. The teachings of the Christian church are an important part of our school life. Alongside our Christian focus, we want all our children to develop a broad and tolerant understanding of the world in which they are growing up. Our Religion and Worldviews curriculum plays an essential part in fostering understanding, respect and appreciation of the diverse religious beliefs and practices that exist within our community and beyond. We believe that a rich and inclusive Religious Education plays a crucial role in the moral and spiritual development of our pupils, equipping them with the knowledge and skills needed to navigate a multicultural society.

Our Implementation

We follow the Wessex Learning Trust Religion and Worldviews curriculum which is guided by the Somerset Agreed Syllabus for Religious Education (SACRE) and Understanding Christianity. Our curriculum is designed to ensure accessibility for all students, regardless of their own faith, backgrounds or beliefs. Units of work are planned to be progressive, build upon prior knowledge and are closely linked with the school's Christian values; friendship, love, respect, honesty, forgiveness, and courage. Lessons are taught on a weekly basis and encourage critical thinking and reflective discussion. Children also take part in Christian festivals such as Christmas and Easter, when they learn what it means to be part of a Christian community. Our Christian ethos underpins daily life in our school. We have daily Collective Worship where we come together as a school community and share hymns, pray and celebrate in each other's successes. At the end of each term the school attends St Cuthbert's Church in Wells for Christmas, Easter and leavers services with friends and families in attendance. Each class also has its own reflection area, where children can reflect on their own spirituality.

Our Impact

Children at St Cuthbert's CofE Infants and Pre School enjoy their learning in Religion and Worldview

lessons. The children develop an understanding of the major world religions, the key teachings, festivals and practices. They develop the ability to make links within and between religions and the wider curriculum. The children extend their communication skills through discussion and become able to listen with respect to the views of others. The impact of our curriculum is measured through ongoing teacher assessment. This includes marking books and assessing against key substantive knowledge laid out through knowledge organisers. Summative assessment is used during class discussions and group work. Evidence is gathered through work in books and photographs of children practising or mastering a skill. Pupil voice interviews are also carried out to allow children to discuss their learning and moderation between teachers is carried out, allowing staff to observe books and discuss opportunities for development.