

RE Policy

2022-2023

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Religious education enables children to investigate and reflect on some of the most fundamental questions asked by people. At Ball Green Primary School, we develop the children's knowledge and understanding of the major world faiths, and we address fundamental questions concerning, for example, the meaning of life and the existence of a divine spirit. We enable children to develop a sound knowledge not only of Christianity but also of other world religions, especially those that are the main faiths of children within our school. Children reflect on what it means to have a faith and to develop their own spiritual knowledge and understanding. We help the children to learn from religions as well as about religions.

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Implementation

The curriculum:

Our objectives in the teaching of RE are, for all of our children:

• to develop an awareness of spiritual and moral issues arising in their lives;

• to develop knowledge and understanding of Christianity and other major world religions or value systems adhered to in the UK;

- to develop an understanding of what it means to be committed to a religious tradition;
- to be capable of reflecting on their own experiences, and of developing a personal response to the fundamental questions of life;
- to develop an understanding of religious traditions, and an appreciation of cultural differences in the UK today;
- to develop their investigative and research skills, in order to hold reasoned opinions on religious issues;
- to have respect for other people's views, and hence to celebrate diversity in society.



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We base our teaching and learning style in RE on the key principle that good teaching in RE allows children both to learn about religious traditions and to reflect on what the religious ideas and concepts mean to them. Our teaching enables children to extend their own sense of values, and promotes their spiritual growth and development. We encourage children to think about their own views and values in relation to the themes and topics studied in the Stoke RE Syllabus. Our teaching and learning styles in RE enable children to build on their own experiences and to extend their knowledge and understanding of religious traditions. We use their experiences at religious festivals such as Easter, Diwali, Passover, etc. to develop their religious thinking. We organise visits to local places of worship, and invite representatives of local religious groups to come into school and talk to the children.

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<u>Impact</u>

Monitoring of the Curriculum:

Standards achieved / received curriculum / experienced curriculum Assessment – Learning Walks Lesson Observations Resources reviews Child conferences / school council conferences Subject leader discussions Link governor visit reports Subject leader Floor book

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