



Religious Education (RE)

Statement of Intent, Implementation, and Impact

*Religions are different paths
congregating to the same point,
therefore differences are meant not to
divide, but to unite communities.*

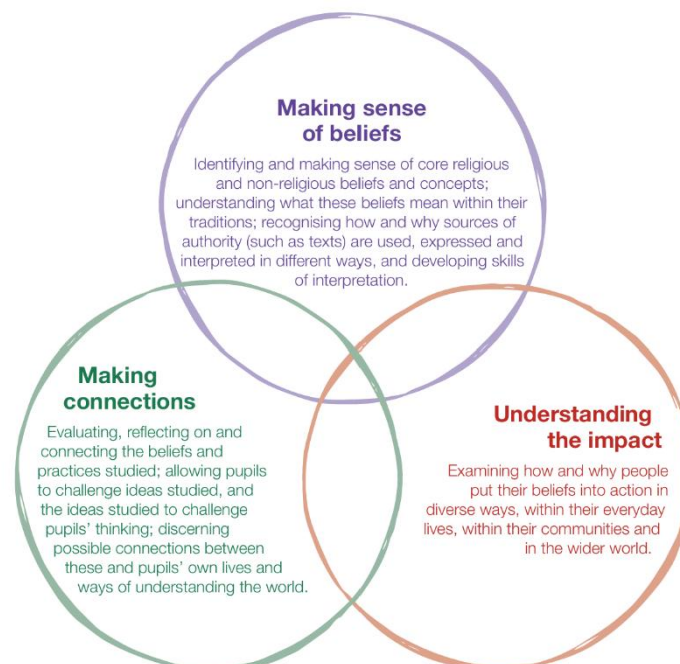
At St John's Primary School, our mission is to create joyful and meaningful experiences for children in Religious Education (RE). We aim to provide a well-structured curriculum that helps students develop a deep understanding of the world, including both religious and non-religious beliefs, while fostering a personal faith and love for God.

We follow the Stoke Agreed RE syllabus, which includes the study of the Abrahamic faiths: Christianity, Islam and Judaism. Our pupils also learn about Hinduism, and Humanism. This reflects our school community and beyond.

Supplemented by the 'Understanding Christianity' programme, our RE lessons encourage creativity, curiosity, and critical thinking.

Curriculum Intent:

The principal aim of our religious education curriculum is to explore what people believe and what difference this makes to how they live, so that pupils can gain the knowledge, understanding and skills needed to handle questions raised by religion and belief, reflecting on their own ideas and ways of living.



Implementation:

RE is the foundation of our curriculum, shaping all areas of school life. As a Church of England (A) Primary School, we dedicate at least 50% of our RE curriculum to teaching Christianity, with all children studying RE for between 5-10% of their weekly timetable across Key Stages 1 and 2. Our Early Years children also have weekly RE lessons. Our curriculum adheres to the Diocesan and Local Authority standards and is taught by passionate staff who engage children's hearts, minds, and imaginations.

We teach the core concepts through a spiral curriculum, where concepts are re-visited and explored in more depth as pupils move through the school. These are explored through key questions. The concepts include:

- God
- Creation and Fall
- People of God
- Incarnation
- Gospel
- Salvation
- Kingdom of God
- Other Faiths

RE is taught by skilled teachers who model strong theological knowledge, providing clear guidance and support.

We adapt the RE curriculum to meet the needs of all children, including those with SEND, ensuring everyone can reach their full potential. Teachers use prior knowledge, targeted feedback, and differentiated resources to support all learners.

Impact:

Through RE, children at St John's will not only deepen their appreciation of their faith but also become confident, resilient individuals who contribute positively to their community and the wider world.

Our pupils will acquire **Academic and Spiritual Growth**. Children will gain a deep understanding of both their own faith and others, developing the skills to describe, analyse, and reflect on religious teachings and practices.

They will experience **Moral Development**. They will grow in their ability to make ethical decisions, guided by Christian values and an awareness of other faiths.

Children will see the value of **Community Engagement**. Through visits, guest speakers, and active participation in local and global religious communities, children will feel connected to the broader world and be equipped to engage with a multi-faith society.

Personal Faith and Confidence will develop. Children will grow to know and love God, living their faith in an active and positive way. They will become religiously literate, with faith playing a central role in their decisions and actions.

Go forward **Celebrating Diversity**. Children will understand and appreciate different religious values. They will develop respect for others and celebrate diversity.

Through the teaching of RE, our children will know and **demonstrate the British Values** of mutual tolerance, respectful attitudes, democracy, the rule of law and individual liberty.

Matthew 28:19-20

"Go and make disciples of all nations . . . teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you"