



Why do we do Religious Education?

Religious Education covers a wide range of topics, all of which help to improve your understanding of people and the religious influences on their lives. You will discover and learn about how the beliefs and practices of religions affect the ways in which believers lead their lives. You will engage in ethical and moral thinking and into considering ideas such as value, meaning and commitment. You will also learn about and develop an understanding of the different major world faiths.

The programme of study is based on the people of God framework, which has been authorised by the Bishops of England and Wales.

You will learn the following skills:

1. how to interpret and evaluate pieces of information;
2. how to communicate and apply your knowledge;
3. how to describe and analyse the key features of the religions studied;
4. critical thinking and problem solving.
5. Empathy and understanding of different people's beliefs and practices

The following topics will be studied:

Year 7

- Module 1: Belonging
- Module 2: The person of Jesus
- Module 3: Sacraments of initiation
- Module 4: Mass/Eucharist
- Module 5: Mary, Mother of Jesus
- Module 6: Sikhism

Year 8

- Module 1: Discipleship
- Module 2: Prophets old and new
- Module 3: Salvation history
- Module 4: Judaism
- Module 5: Making moral decisions
- Module 6: Science, religion, evil

Year 9

- Module 1: The Church in Britain
- Module 2: Pilgrimage
- Module 3: Gospel values
- Module 4: Islam

Year 9 start the GCSE course in the summer term of year 9.

Component 1 - Foundational Catholic Theology

Theme 1: origins and meaning.

Assessment

You will be tested on each module (roughly every 6-7 weeks)

All assessments take the same format and are designed to prepare all pupils for the GCSE course.

You will also have an RE exam, this takes place during exam week. Each year group has a different exam week and you will be informed. You will be tested on everything you have learnt in that year in this exam.