

Intent

At Southrop Primary, we believe that a quality Religious Education should develop a child's spiritual, moral, social and cultural development. We aim to help the children to acquire and develop knowledge and understanding of Christianity and the other principal religions represent in Great Britain. The children are encouraged to explore and understand what they believe and to explore and understand what other people believe. This will promote respect and open mindedness towards all and also develop their sense of identity and belonging through self-awareness and reflection. The children will gain knowledge, understanding and skills needed to handle questions raised by religion and belief. The key for this will be the explanation of key vocabulary and the development of speaking and listening skills.

Implementation

At Southrop we use the Agreed Syllabus for RE (2017-22) developed by Gloucestershire County Council. This is a series of units for EYFS, Key Stage 1, Lower Key Stage 2 and Upper Key stage 2. We have developed a rolling programme considering when similar units and religions can be taught across the school, also considering where the learning can be linked to a religious festivals.

The learning is supported by visits or visitors, hands on experiences and artefacts. It is important that all children have real life experiences.

During an RE unit the children are given an overarching question to consider, for example What does it mean to belong to a faith community? (KS1 Unit). They will also be given the vocabulary they will need for their learning, this is reintroduce at the start of each lesson. During the learning the children will consider how they can make sense of a range of religious and non-religious beliefs, understand the impact and significance of religious and non-religious beliefs and make connections between religious and non-religious beliefs, concepts, practises and ideas studied. They will be given opportunities to talk, find out, explore and compare. By the end of the unit the children will be able to answer the overarching question and will be given opportunities to work together as a whole school to share their knowledge.

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At Southrop Primary School the children have a deep knowledge and understanding of Christianity and will show respect and be open minded to everyone. The children will show a positive attitude towards people of any religion and show an understanding of beliefs different to their own. The children will have a develop vocabulary and be able to discuss their faith and belief.