

DUDLEY ACADEMIES TRUST - KATES HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

Primary RE Curriculum Overview 2023-2024

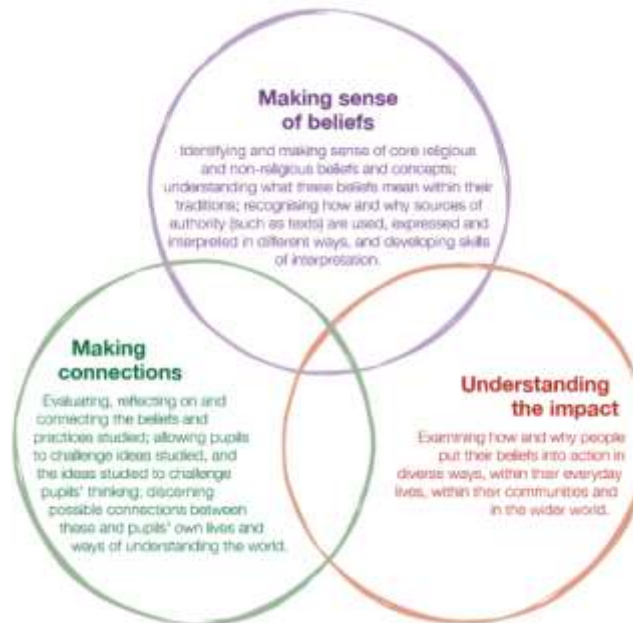


Religious Education at Kates Hill

The principal aim of religious education 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.

The RE teaching and learning approach

The RE teaching and learning approach has three core elements, which are woven together to provide breadth and balance within teaching and learning about religions and beliefs. Teaching and learning in the classroom will incorporate all three elements, allowing for overlap between elements as suits the religion, concept and question being explored



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Whole School Overview

	Focus Religions (other religions will be touched upon when making links and comparisons)	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term	Bible stories	Stories from other religions, traditions and cultures
EYFS	Christianity Islam	Understanding the world-people, culture and communities			The Birth of Jesus Easter Story The Wise man and The Foolish Man Noah's Ark	St George and the Dragon Chinese New Year Rama and Sita- Hindu Clever Sticks
Year 1	Christianity Islam	Our World How should look after our world? Article 31	Special Places What makes places special? Article 14	Family Who is there to guide me? Article 20	Adam and Eve Noah's Ark The Sower and the Seeds	Rama and Sita - Hindu The Prophet and the Ants - Islam
Year 2	Christianity Islam	Special People What is a leader? What did Jesus teach? Article 5	Customs How do we show faith? Article 14	Special Places – Where can we feel we belong? Article 15	The Prodigal Son The Good Samaritan John the Baptist	Siddartha and the Swan - Buddhist The Crying Camel -Islam
Year 3	Christianity Islam Sikhism	Stages of life birth, wedding. What is important in life? Article 18	Festivals How do different religions give thanks? Article 24	Special Books What makes a book special? Article 30	The Wedding Feast Moses The Exodus	Kidran the Donkey - Islam Story of Mohammed - Islam
Year 4	Christianity Islam Hinduism	Festivals Why do people give thanks? Article 24	Creation Where did we begin? Article 7	Communication prayer What is the best way to show commitment to God? Article 14	The Rich Fool The Lost Coin The Loaves and the Fishes	The Rainbow Snake Hindu Creation Story The Honest Old Man - Hinduism
Year 5	Christianity Islam Judaism	Lifestyles – rules Why do we have rules? Article 16	Community Are religions important? Article 15	Stories What can we learn from stories? Article 19	Jesus Feeds the 5000 Jesus Heals the Blind Zacchaeus the Tax Collector	The Story of Hannukah – Judaism The Milk and the Jasmine Flower - Sikhism
Year 6	Christianity Islam Buddhism	Christian Beliefs Is anything ever eternal? Article 23	Worship What gives a sense of identity and belonging?	Hopes and visions What is life about? Article 12	The Talents Jesus Heals the Paralysed Judas' Betrayal	The Monkey King – Buddhism



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Where RE is most effective, enquiry is placed at the heart of learning. Schools should develop a well-defined and systematic approach to using enquiry in RE. Enquiry is most effective and consistent where it is based on a clear, straightforward model.

Effective enquiry in RE

- **is not age-limited** – examples of effective enquiry were found at all ages
- **involves sustained learning** – pupils set up the enquiry, carry it out, evaluate their learning and revisit the questions
- **starts by engaging pupils in their learning** – making sure they can see the relevance and importance of the enquiry and how it relates to their own concerns
- **allows pupils time to gather information and draw conclusions before asking them to reflect on or apply their learning** – the focus on ‘learning from’ will probably come late in the process as they ask the key question – so what?
- **enables pupils to reconsider their initial thinking and extend their enquiry as they begin to see new levels of possibility** – if pupils have identified key questions at the outset, they might want to reconsider these questions, add more, or re-prioritise their importance
- **allows pupils to use their creativity and imagination** – ensuring that experiential learning and opportunities to foster spiritual development are built into the process of enquiry

The enquiry Cycle

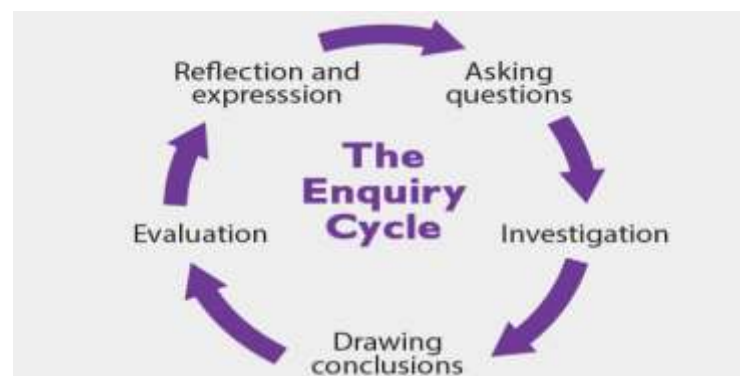
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The cycle may be summarised:



Asking questions

Engaging pupils from the outset in 'big questions' provides a context for carrying out an investigation.

Investigation using

- effective enquiry approaches to promote questioning and discussion about religious material
- a Philosophy for Children (P4C) approach, which can deepen and extend pupils' investigation into religion, building the skills of effective argument

Drawing conclusions

Using a balance of

- first-hand experience - access to examples of living religious practice to research RE topics
- high-quality resources (some web-based) to stimulate pupils' learning

Evaluation

Impersonal evaluation asks pupils to give well-founded reasons and justify their conclusions or views rather than just expressing their personal feelings or responses to the enquiry.

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Reflection and expression

Where RE is highly effective, opportunities for reflection and creativity are integrated within the process of enquiry and arise directly from pupils' engagement with religious material, enabling them to deepen understanding and present their findings.

Adapted from *Religious Education: realising the potential* (Ofsted 2013)