

Excellence Through Enjoyment

Children are given opportunities beyond the classroom through visiting places of worship and inviting visitors of various religions to share their experiences.

Intent - We aim to:

Explore what people believe and what a difference this makes to how they live.

Reflect on their own ideas and ways of living.

Gain the knowledge, understanding and the skills needed to handle questions raised by religion and belief.

Encourage peace and understanding between the rich diversity of people across the globe and in our own community.

Ensure children have respect, tolerance and acceptance of other people.

Implementation - How do we achieve our aims?

Make sense of a range of religious and non-religious beliefs

- Identify, describe, explain and analyse beliefs and concepts in the context of living religions, using appropriate vocabulary
- Explain how and why these beliefs are understood in different ways, by individuals and within communities
- Recognise how and why sources of authority (e.g. texts, teachings, traditions, leaders) are used, expressed and interpreted in different ways, developing skills of interpretation

Make connections

- Evaluate, reflect on and enquire into key concepts and questions studied, responding thoughtfully and creatively, giving good reasons for their responses
- Challenge the ideas studied, and allow the ideas studied to challenge their own thinking, articulating beliefs, values and commitments clearly in response
- Discern possible connections between the ideas studied and their own ways of understanding the world, expressing their critical responses and personal reflections with increasing clarity and understanding

Understand the impact and significance of religious and non-religious beliefs

- Examine and explain how and why people express their beliefs in diverse ways
- Recognise and account for ways in which people put their beliefs into action in diverse ways, in their everyday lives, within their communities and in the wider world
- Appreciate and appraise the significance of different ways of life and ways of expressing meaning

Community and resources

- The children are invited to the local church for events including Harvest, Christmas and Experience Easter celebrations
- Parents are invited in to share their cultural views with the children
- Outside visitors, such as Kalpesh Zalavadiya from K'z Dance Entertainment
- Promoting fundamental British Values & Cultural Diversity, while learning about Culture and Festivals

Impact - How will we know when we have achieved our aims?

Children will develop an understanding of different religious beliefs.

Children will have a passion for discussing the similarities and differences of other people's beliefs.

Children will gain a respect and tolerance of other people's views.

Children will develop opinions and views of their own.

Children will have an understanding of the impact Religious viewpoints have on History, English and other areas of the curriculum.