

Our Religious Education Curriculum Intent

At Gayton Primary Academy we believe that Religious Education it is an essential area of study which ensures that children are well prepared for life in a world where there are a multitude of viewpoints. We enable children to make their own informed decisions and to have the confidence to voice their views. We aim to help children to understand the place of religion and belief in their local community and globally.

As a church school we provide learners with a knowledge and understanding of Christianity. We aim for the children to have a deep understanding of key Christian concepts, with a particular focus in the curriculum on creation, incarnation and salvation; for these concepts we provide opportunities for the children to deepen their encounters with these core concepts as they move through the school.

We aim to develop pupils' understanding of world faiths and other beliefs by exploring their common features and diversity. There is both depth and breadth of study.

We want our children to enjoy RE and develop resilient responses to misunderstandings, stereotyping and division. We offer our children a place where difficult or 'risky' questions can be tackled within a safe but challenging context. We encourage our learners to develop a positive attitude towards other people who hold religious beliefs different from their own. 'Oracy' opportunities are important in our RE lessons. They enable our children to reflect on questions and the views of others, it also gives them opportunities to share their own beliefs and opinions as they form.

RE in our school will go beyond a sociological study of religious phenomena and will introduce pupils to a range of relevant disciplines including theology, philosophy and the human and social sciences.