

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CURRICULUM INFORMATION

YEAR 1

Religious Education for Year 1 pupils focuses upon Christmas celebrations from other countries and cultures. Bible stories and recognition of different faiths around the world are discussed and pupils are invited to begin speaking and listening about their own family customs.

YEAR 2

In Year 2, Religious Education focuses upon the miracles of Jesus, the parables from the Bible and the life of Jesus. Pupils also discuss and find out about different celebrations and traditions of other cultures around the world. Pupils are encouraged to share their knowledge of their own celebrations and traditions held within their faiths. The Christmas story is also studied as a prelude to the much-loved Nativity performance. Pupils also begin to learn about different places of worship.

YEAR 3

Year 3 Religious Education focuses upon the Jewish Festival of Hannukah and the celebration and practise for Christians at Easter time. The girls also study the messages from a variety of different Prophets and recognise a number of other cultural celebrations such as Saint's days and the Chinese New Year.

YEAR 4

In Year 4, Religious Education focuses upon Hindu practises, celebrations and places of worship and reflection. The pupils learn about Sikh Gurus and discuss the messages which both of these faiths hold for followers. The Buddhist celebration of Wesak and the symbolism for many of the most prominent faiths are similarly explored.

YEAR 5

Religious Education for Year 5 pupils focuses upon Islamic practises, celebrations and guidance. Jewish festivals, rites of passage and ceremonies are similarly studied. Application of religious principles and guidance underpin further reflection for the girls before transition into Year 6.