RE Curriculum Progression at Merebrook Infant School



RE is taught in accordance with the Milton Keynes Locally Agreed Syllabus (2017-2022).

In Early Years, children develop knowledge and understanding, and appropriate vocabulary about, where they belong within their family and the wider community, different religions and the different ways of expressing and celebrating faiths. They also develop the following attitudes and skills: a sense of curiosity, interest and enjoyment in discovery, empathy and open-mindedness, commenting and asking questions, expressing feelings and preferences.

The focus in Key Stage 1 is on Christianity (Year 1) and Judaism (Year 2), but referring to other faiths where appropriate, particularly if there are members of other faiths in the class and/or local community. Key questions are explored through

reng	religion-specific study and/or thematic approaches across two or more religions and belief systems (key questions are in bold below).			
	EYFS	Year 1 (Christianity)	Year 2 (Judaism)	
Believing	Recognise that people have different beliefs (Reception)	Who am I?	Who am I?	
		Understand what Christians believe makes a person special. To know how	Understand what Jews learn from the stories in the Tenakh and how these	
	Listen to and talk about stories, use their senses in exploring religious	Christians believe about how people should live with others.	influence Jews belief on how they should live with others.	
	rituals and ceremonies and practices and forms of expression.			
		What do people believe about God, people and the natural world?	What do people believe about God, people and the natural world?	
	Know some similarities and differences between different religious and	To understand what Jesus taught Christians about God. Learn about how Christians	To learn about what Jews believe about God, people and the natural world	
	cultural communities in this country, drawing on their experiences and	believe they should treat other people. To know how Christians believe they	from the Tenakh (Jewish Bible). Understand how God cares for people in	
	what has been read in class.	should care for the world.	stories found in the Tenakh and what Jews learn from these stories.	
	Children begin to express feelings and preferences, reflect upon own	How are some stories and book scared and important in religion?	How and why are some stories and books sacred and important in religion?	
	feelings and experiences	Learn about the importance of the stories and the Bible to Christians. To know	To know what special texts are used in the synagogue and why is the Torah	
		about the story of Jesus's life and why this is important to Christians. Learn about	special to Jews. (Review Biblical stories learnt in Christianity)	
	Children develop a sense of curiosity, Interest and enjoyment in	some of the stories that Jesus told and the reasons for telling the stories.		
	discovery.			
	Children make comments and ask questions about what they have	What can people learn from religious leaders and teachers?	What can people learn from religious leaders and teachers?	
8	learned and begin to show empathy and open-mindedness towards	Understand why and how Jesus is important to Christians. To know the role of a	To know what a Rabbi does and why they are important to Jews. Understand	
Behaving	different points of view.	priest, vicar or minister and why these are important to Christians. Understand	what and how Jews learn from influential people. (Review the role of a priest,	
eh		how Christians learn from the example of other Christians.	vicar, minster).	
-	Use imagination and curiosity to develop appreciation and wonder of the			
	world in which we live.			
Belonging	Develop positive attitudes about the differences between people.	What does it mean to belong?	What does it mean to belong?	
		To understand what it means for Christians to belong to the religion. To know what	To learn about what it means to belong to be part of a Jewish family and how	
	To begin to explore the world of religion in terms of special people,	groups the children belong to, i.e. class, family etc. Reflect on how this feels to	Jews use their synagogue. How does this compare to belonging to Christianity?	
	books, times, places and objects, visiting places of worship and through	belong.		
	celebration.		How and why do symbols express religious meaning?	
		How and why are religious celebrations important to people?	Learn the importance of Jewish symbols in celebrations and Jewish life in	
	Recognise that people have different beliefs and celebrate special times	To know how Christians celebrate Harvest and why it is an important time in Jesus'	general. (Review of key Christian symbols)	
	in different ways.	life.	Uson and other are unligious calchestions in market to use also	
		Harry and why do somehole arrange religious magning?	How and why are religious celebrations important to people?	
	Understand that some places are special to members of their	How and why do symbols express religious meaning?	Learn about how and why Jews celebrate Hanukkah. (Review of Harvest).	
	community.	Understand how symbols help us to understand things and what symbols are used		
		in everyday life. Reflect on how clothes, colours and movements can be symbols.		
		Children to consider what symbol would tell others something about them.		