



Religious Education

Our school values of love, trust, forgiveness, compassion, respect and friendship underpin our curriculum and daily life from Nursery through to year 6. As a church school we believe that RE plays a vital role in the development of the whole child within the context of a Christian family, contributing towards their spiritual, moral and cultural awareness in terms of knowledge, skills and understanding.

Whole School

St Bartholomew's is a Church of England primary school. As a Church of England school we have chosen to follow the **Blackburn Diocese Board of Education RE** syllabus. The curriculum gives pupils the opportunity to investigate, reflect, evaluate and make meaning of the world around them. In doing so they will discover more about themselves, other faiths, their relationship with the world and their relationship with God. This learning will be supported by the resource Understanding Christianity. This resource aims to help all teachers support pupils in developing their own thinking and their understanding of Christianity, as a contribution to their understanding of the world and their own experience within it. Both encourage a multi-sensory and creative approach to lessons and allow children to explore the BIG story, which is visually displayed in the school hall for children to look at and analyse. All classes keep a RE scrap book which records the journey the class takes throughout the year. Yearly we investigate Christmas around the world and spend time focusing on Christians in other countries. We hold an annual multi-faith week which allows more in depth experience and learning about other faiths.



EYFS

Within the EYFS children explore festivals and the relevance and value within the Christian faith. A class scrap book is contributed to throughout the year which shows the children's active learning and exploration of Christianity and other religions

Key Stage 1

The children are encouraged to ask why and to explore Christianity in more depth, thinking about their own response and the impact upon their life. Each class prepares and leads an act of worship based on their classes value.

Key Stage 2

Children continue to explore Christianity and the impact on their lives. In addition children are



encouraged to ask questions and consider the role they have within the Christian faith and the Big Story. The children look at the lives of famous people who have impacted the world through their faith.

RE teaching at St Bartholomew's fulfils the Statement of Entitlement as issued by the Church of England Education Office, issued June 2016.

Blackburn Diocese Board of Education

The Board of Education interprets the Church's mission to children and young people through education, develops strategies to carry out that mission, and ensures that, through its officers, these strategies are translated into action. The Board promotes understanding of the nature and importance of that mission in the diocese and more widely, and celebrates and champions it as an outworking of God's love for his people.