

RE Curriculum Intent at Farnham Common Village Schools

RE is an important part of the school curriculum and should be taught with relevance to the child's stage of development and their experience. We seek to provide a clearer idea of what religion is about, the importance that it plays in many people's lives and how that faith is expressed in their daily lives and routines.

The Agreed Syllabus has four main aims:

To enable pupils to:

- Understand the nature, role and influence of religion in the world;
- Pursue personal quest for meaning, purpose and value;
- Formulate reasoned opinion/argument and handle controversial issues and truth claims;
- Develop understanding of and respect for different beliefs and lifestyles.

Our School's Aims:

The overall aims are:

- That all children form their own opinions about religious beliefs and customs and that they develop an understanding and tolerance of people who hold a strong faith
- That children enjoy learning about religion because it is taught in a stimulating and interesting way that arouses their curiosity and develops positive skills and attitudes.
- That children develop a sense of awe and wonder about the world around them.
- To help pupils understand some of the impact of religion throughout the world, its influences on the lives of individuals and communities and its effect on the cultural diversity of their own and other societies both presently and in the past.
- To support pupils spiritual, moral social and cultural development by encouraging self-awareness and self-respect.
- To help pupils develop their social and moral development by encouraging a positive attitude and valuing the beliefs of others, however different from their own
- To develop knowledge and understanding of Christian and other major religion in Britain as a whole and in the local community.

Outdoor learning

Visits to places of worship and other RE related venues are encouraged as an important part of developing a child's understanding of the role religion plays in communities.