



Intent

Our primary school Religious Education curriculum works with the SACRE agreed syllabus and aims to give children the opportunity to learn about a range of religions and non-religious worldviews whilst also considering the big questions of life and what it means to be a human.

At Ralph Butterfield Primary School, we want to ensure that our children go out into the world with the knowledge and skills to understand the beliefs of others and live in today's diverse and ever-changing world. We intend for them to develop respect and show sensitivity to others - in particular those with different faiths and/or beliefs - and to challenge prejudice.

Our curriculum aims to give pupils the opportunities to learn about religion and non-religious worldviews in a variety of ways: art; music; drama; dance; discussion and more formal writing opportunities.

Principal Aim

This broad purpose of RE is captured in the principal aim, which is intended to be a shorthand version for day-to-day use.

The principal aim of RE is to engage pupils in systematic enquiry into significant human questions which religion and worldviews address, so that they can develop the understanding and skills needed to appreciate and appraise varied responses to these questions, as well as develop responses of their own. The threefold aims of RE elaborates the principal aim (below) which are furthermore broken down for each Key Stage. The general outcomes are related to specific content within the key question outlines/units of study.

Year Groups	Reception	Year 1 and Year 2	Year 3 and Year 4	Year 5 and Year 6
Units (Right)	F1 Which stories are special and why?	1.1 Who is a Christian and what do	L2.1 What do different people	U2.1 Why do some people think
Threefold aims of RE (Below)	F2 Which people are special and why? F3 Which places are special and why?	they believe?	believe about God?	God exists?
	F4 Which times are special and why?	1.2 Who is a Muslim and what do they	L2.2 Why is the Bible so	U2.2 What would Jesus do/ can
	F5 Where do we belong?	believe?	important for Christians today?	we live by the values of Jesus in
	F6 What is special about our world?	1.3 Who is Jewish and what do they	L2.3 Why is Jesus inspiring to	the 21 st century?
	EYFS ELGs specifically linked to RE	believe?	some people?	U2.3 What do religions say to us
	Past and Present ELG Children at the expected level of development will:	1.4 What can we learn from sacred	L2.4 Why do people pray?	when life gets hard?
	Talk about the lives of the people around them and	books?	L2.5 Why are festivals important	U2.4 If God is everywhere, why
	their roles in society Know some similarities and differences between	1.5 What makes some places sacred?	to religious communities?	go to a place of worship?
	things in the past and now, drawing on their	1.6 How and why do we celebrate	L2.6 Why do some people think	U2.5 Is it better to express your
	experiences and what has been read in class	special and sacred times?	that life is like a journey and what	beliefs in art and architecture or
	Understand the past through settings, characters and events encountered in books read in class and	1.7 What does it mean to belong to a	significant experiences mark this?	charity and generosity?
	storytelling	faith community?	L2.7 What does it mean to be a	U2.6 What does it mean to be a
	People Culture and Communities ELG Children at the expected level of development will: -	1.8 How should we care for others and	Christian in Britain today?	Muslim in Britain today?
	Know some similarities and differences between	the world and why does it matter?	L2.8 What does it mean to be a	U2.7 What matters most to
	different religious and cultural communities in this	the world and why does it matter?	Hindu in Britain today?	Christians and Humanists?
	country, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class	*Not covered	L2.9 What can we learn from	U2.8 What difference does it
	The Natural World ELG	Not covered	religions about deciding what is	make to believe in ahimsa
	Children at the expected level of development will:		right and wrong?	(harmlessness), grace and/ or
	Explore the natural world around them, making observations and drawing pictures of animals and		L2.10 How do family life and	Ummah (community)?
	plants		-	U2.9 What can be done to reduce
	Know some similarities and differences between the natural world around them and contrasting		festivals show what matters to	
	environments, drawing on their experiences and what		Jewish people?	racism? Can religion help?
	has been read in class			
	Understand some important processes and changes in the natural world around them, including the seasons			
	and changing states of matter			
Know about and understand a range	(Taken from birth to 5 matters and	A1. Recall and name different	A1. Describe and make connections	
of religious and non-religious	development matters)	beliefs and practices, including	religious and non-religious worldvie	ews they study, discovering more
worldviews, so that they can:	Understand that some places are	festivals, worship, rituals and	about celebrations, worship, pilgrir	nages and the rituals which mark
A1. describe, explain and analyse	special to members of their	ways of life, in order to find out	important points in life, in order to	reflect on their significance.
beliefs and practices, recognising the	community	about the meanings behind		
diversity which exists within and	Recognise that people have different	them.	A2. Describe and understand links l	between stories and other
between communities and amongst	beliefs and celebrate special times in		aspects of the communities they ar	e investigating, responding
individuals	different ways.	A2. Retell and suggest meanings	thoughtfully to a range of sources of	of wisdom and to beliefs
A2. identify, investigate and respond		to some religious and moral	and teachings that arise from them	in different communities.
to questions posed, and responses		stories, exploring and discussing		
offered, by some of the		sacred writings and sources of	A3. Explore and describe a range of	f beliefs, symbols and actions so
sources of wisdom2 found in religious		wisdom and recognising the	that they can understand different	ways of life and ways of
and non-religious worldviews		traditions from which they come.	expressing meaning.	
A3. appreciate and appraise the				
nature, significance and impact of		A3. Recognise some different		
different ways of life and ways of		symbols and actions which		
expressing meaning.		express a community's way of		

		life, appreciating some similarities between communities.	
Express ideas and insights about the	(Taken from birth to 5 matters and	B1. Ask and respond to questions	B1. Observe and understand varied examples of religious and non-
nature, significance and impact of	development matters)	about what individuals and	religious worldviews so that they can explain, with reasons, their
religious and non-religious	Talks about past and present events in	communities do, and why, so	meanings and significance to individuals and communities.
worldviews, so that they can:	their own life and in the lives of family	that pupils can identify what	
B1. explain, using reasoned	members	difference belonging to a	B2. Understand the challenges of commitment to a community of
arguments, their ideas about how	Knows about similarities and	community might make.	faith or belief, suggesting why belonging to a community may be
beliefs, practices and forms of	differences between themselves and		valuable, both in the diverse communities being studied and in their
expression influence individuals and	others, and among families,	B2. Observe and recount different	own lives.
communities	communities, cultures and traditions	ways of expressing identity and	
B2. express with increasing		belonging, responding sensitively for	B3. Observe and consider different dimensions of religion, so that they
discernment their personal reflections		themselves.	can explore and show understanding of similarities and differences
and critical responses to questions and			between different religions and world views;
teachings about identity, diversity,		B3. Notice and respond sensitively to	
meaning and value, including ethical		some similarities between different	
issues		religious and non-religious	
B3. appreciate and appraise varied		worldviews.	
dimensions of religion.			
3. Gain and deploy the skills needed	(Taken from birth to 5 matters and	C1. Explore questions about	C1. Discuss and present thoughtfully their own and others' views on
to engage seriously with religious and	development matters)	belonging, meaning and truth so	challenging questions about belonging, meaning, purpose and truth,
non-religious worldviews, so	Knows that other children do not	that they can express their own	applying ideas of their own thoughtfully in different forms including
that they can:	always enjoy the same things, and is	ideas and opinions in response	(e.g.) reasoning, music, art and poetry;
C1. investigate key concepts and	sensitive to this	using words, music, art or poetry.	
questions of belonging, meaning,	Enjoys joining in with family customs		C2. Consider and apply ideas about ways in which diverse
purpose and truth, responding	and routines	C2. Find out about and respond	communities can live together for the well-being of all, responding
creatively		with ideas to examples of cooperation	thoughtfully to ideas about community, values and respect;
C2. enquire into what enables		between people who	
different individuals and communities		are different.	C3. Discuss and apply their own and others' ideas about ethical
to live together respectfully for		C2 Find aut about supertings f	questions, including ideas about what is right and wrong and what is
the wellbeing of all		C3. Find out about questions of	just and fair, and express their own ideas clearly in response.
C3. articulate clearly beliefs, values		right and wrong and begin to	
and commitments in order to explain		express their ideas and opinions	
why they may be important in their		in response.	
own and other people's lives.			