

RE Long Term Plan – EYFS



RE in Nursery

Activities children engage in during their nursery years are experiences which provide the building blocks for later development. Starting with things that are familiar to the children, and providing lots of hands-on activities and learning are an important part of pupil's learning at this stage. Good teaching in the EYFS will always build on the children's interests and enthusiasms as well as their learning and development needs, and themes should be developed accordingly.

Nursery Ideas (not compulsory):

- Creative play, make believe, role-play, dance and drama
- Dressing up and acting out scenes from stories, celebrations or festivals
- Making and eating festival food
- Talking and listening to each other; hearing and discussing stories of all kinds, including religious and secular stories with themes such as goodness, difference, the inner world of thoughts and feelings, and imagination
- Exploring authentic religious artefacts, including those designed for small children such as 'soft toy' artefacts or story books
- Seeing pictures, books and videos of places of worship and meeting believers in class
- Listening to religious music
- Starting to introduce religious terminology
- Work on nature, growing and life cycles or harvest
- Seizing opportunities spontaneously or linking with topical, local events such as celebrations, festivals, the birth of a new baby, weddings or the death of a pet
- Starting to talk about the different ways in which people believe and behave, and encouraging children to ask questions

The approach outlined for nursery will also serve for reception, especially in the early months of the reception year. The strand that threads through each question explored in reception is 'Discovering the World'.

FS2/Reception					
Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
What Makes Me Special? (Main focus introducing Christianity - Harvest).	What are those lights in the sky? (Main focus celebrations and festivals eg Christmas, Diwali).	What happened Once Upon a Time? (Main focus – special stories).	Why is our world wonderful? (Main focus - Jesus and the important of friends, Easter).	How do things change? (Main focus is on the natural world).	What makes a superhero super? (Main focus is on the natural world).