



How RE Reflects Our School Vision

Jesus said, 'Love one another as I have loved you.' (John 15:12)

As we flourish, we aspire,
As we aspire, we achieve,
Together, we are a family.

Through RE we endeavour to reflect our vision, 'Love one another as I have loved you.' (John 15:12) by providing our children with a safe space in which to share their thoughts, views and opinions about the Big questions. We work hard to provide our children with a broad but balanced curriculum through which our children can discuss, create, reflect and develop their religious literacy. We support our SEND children through one to one support and differentiated activities which ensure we are providing an inclusive and nurturing learning environment. By reflecting on our vision and values through our teaching and learning our children demonstrate our vision by showing support, a caring nature towards others, an understanding of how to live out our values and how to respect all. As a result of this our children flourish and achieve both academically and morally. They aspire to be the best people they can be and become a stronger family.

How Spirituality Is Shown In RE

At St Mary's spirituality is:

- discovering the awe and wonder we find in God's world
 - developing a relationship with God
 - stillness & finding inner peace
 - discussion & creativity
 - reflection & prayer

"The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control" (Galatians 5:22)

Our classrooms provide a calm and peaceful environment where all develop their religious literacy and a relationship with God together, as a family. We include meditation and prayer to still the mind and body so our children can focus on their thoughts and feelings. We dim the lights to allow our children to find a sense of calm and peace and connect with God. We use a calm teaching approach and speaking voice which allows our children to feel safe so enabling them to share their thoughts openly. We discuss and reflect on stories of awe and wonder so developing our relationship with God and His world. We provide our children with creativity in our teaching and learning by using Godly Play, art, dance and music to support and enhance our learning. We participate in trips to places of worship so our children can experience the spirituality in the beauty they see there. We reflect on our learning after each lesson so our children share their views and ideas and feel that they have flourished and achieved.