



# Ashwood Spencer Academy

## Planning

At Ashwood all teachers use the Derby City Religious Education agreed syllabus 2020 to plan their lessons. An RE skills progression sheet as well as the Ashwood curriculum document has been made to ensure that all teachers know the specific objectives that need to be covered in each term. The RE journey on a page, shows teacher the topic they are covering each half term as well as the conceptual lens and strand of RE that will be covered. In Foundation Stage RE is integrated into learning e.g. as part of personal, social and emotional development and Understanding the world.

## Why is RE important at Ashwood?

The aim and purpose of Religious Education is to promote the spiritual, moral, cultural, mental and physical development of pupils and of society.

It prepares pupils for the opportunities, responsibilities and experiences of later life. RE provokes challenging questions about meaning and purpose in life, beliefs about God and issues of right and wrong. Children are equipped with a knowledge and understanding of Christianity and other world religions and enabling them to develop their own ideas values and identity. We value the religious background of all members of the school community and hope that this will encourage individuals to share their own experiences with others freely.

RE play a significant role in the personal development of child and young people. Children become 'religiously educated' and helped to be prepared to face the demands and challenges of life in modern Britain.



## Assessment

Teachers use their teacher judgement to assess whether children are working at 'Expected', 'Below' or 'Greater Depth'. This is recorded on our Google Drive Data Sheet. Outcome statements are provided in the RE syllabus and the skills progression sheet to make judgements about pupil's performance at the end of these key stages.

## Links with organisations

Through links formed within the Trust, we have the opportunity to borrow resources if needed for our RE lessons.

We have links with our local church, Davenport Road, where we participate with activities during the year such as the Bible Road show and a carol singing service.

Visits to the gurdwara and the mosque are encouraged to provide a wider understanding of the world we live in.



## Enrichment opportunities

At Ashwood, we try to make DREAM memories for our children. Christian festivals are interwoven throughout the year i.e. Harvest (Autumn 1) Christmas (Autumn 2) Easter (Spring 2) Pentecost (Summer 1).

RE Whole School Days are also used to invite visitors to talk about their faith. These can include workshops and drama over an aspect from the syllabus, that celebrate significant days e.g. World Food Day linked to cultures or a significant festival for example. Such as Eid.

We also learn about special events such as Diwali and Chinese New Year which has been celebrated as a whole school.

