

# Religious Education

All children – regardless of gender, starting point or background – will have the opportunity to engage with a high-quality religious education. They will be equipped with the knowledge, skills and vocabulary to learn through a diocese linked curriculum that provides opportunities to reflect, discuss and explore more about the world in which they live in. The curriculum provides children with the knowledge of different religious traditions, celebrations, stories and values. Our RE curriculum pupils develop an understanding of themselves and others as well as respecting differences. Lessons will promote the spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of individuals and communities. We intend to inspire a sense of enjoyment and curiosity about different world religions.

## Christianity



### What are some of the differences and similarities within Christianity locally and globally?

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#### New Knowledge:

- Christians have a Baptism to welcome a new baby into the Church.
- When a Christian dies, it is seen as the end of his/her life on earth. A funeral is held for friends and family to grieve for the person who has died and give thanks for their life. If someone is on their deathbed, a minister will prepare them for death.
- The Christian ritual of Holy Communion is introduced. Communion means, simply, 'togetherness' and this is a ritual to show the togetherness of Christians and God.
- The Last Supper was Jesus' last meal before he died and he shared two signs with his followers: bread as a symbol for his body being broken, and wine as a symbol for his blood being spilled when he was crucified.
- A Christian funeral service is tailored to the person who has died. The service is usually carried out at a church, crematorium or cemetery and will include prayers, a sermon, readings, hymns and sometimes music or poems
- St. George's day may be celebrated with anything English including morris dancing and Punch and Judy shows. A traditional custom on St George's day is fly or adorn the St George's Cross flag in some way: pubs, in particular, can be seen on 23 April festooned with garlands of St George's crosses. It is customary for the hymn "Jerusalem" to be sung in cathedrals, churches and chapels on St George's Day, or on the Sunday closest to it. Traditional English food and drink may also be consumed.

#### Key Vocabulary:

- Baptism
- Ritual
- Christian ritual
- Holy Communion
- Funeral
- Christian funeral service
- Cremation
- Burial
- Crematorium
- Cemetery
- Sermon
- Customary

