

# Religious Education Policy

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#### **Christian Distinctiveness**

At The Bishops' Church of England Learning Academy, our mantra, 'Faith to Belong, Believe, Aspire and Achieve' is based on The Parable of the Mustard Seed:

If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move.

Nothing will be impossible for you. Matthew 17:20

This underpins our Christian vision statement at The Bishops':

We belong to Team Bishops' where through our Christian distinctiveness and nurturing ethos we celebrate our differences. We believe that we will achieve through inspirational, exciting and challenging learning that utilises our natural environment. We aspire to create endless possibilities for our pupils and to make a positive contribution to society. We achieve by enabling everyone to flourish academically, spiritually and emotionally.

#### Aims and purpose of the policy

The aim of teaching RE at The Bishops' is to support and challenge pupils to reflect upon, develop and affirm their own beliefs. Also, the teaching promotes their values and attitudes and those of others through an exploration of shared human experiences and to understand the place and significance of religion in the contemporary world. We have made our scheme of work, which is in accordance with the Cornwall Agreed syllabus 2020, relevant, exciting, thought provoking and accessible to all our children.

In addition, as a Church of England primary school, we give the teaching of Christianity a greater emphasis than the teaching of other religions and to make clear the links with Church of England teaching and practice.

#### **Related policies**

The following polices should be read in conjunction with this policy:

- Positive behaviour policy with Covid addendum
- RSE policy
- Teaching and Learning policy
- PHSE policy
- Equality policy
- Collective Worship Policy
- Anti-Bullying Policy
- Progression in Spirituality Policy
- Child Protection and Safeguarding policy with Covid addendum

### 1. The spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of children

The 1988 Education Reform act requires schools to promote the spiritual, moral and cultural development of pupils and the school and in society through the provision of a broad and balanced curriculum. At The Bishops', RE plays an important role, along with all of the other curriculum areas. What we learn about others and ourselves in RE and across the curriculum we apply in our daily lives. See Appendix 1 – SMSC at The Bishops'.

# 2. The implementation of the agreed syllabus on RE and The Bishops' approach:

Despite our Anglican status, there are no presumptions made as to the religious backgrounds, beliefs and values of the children. All staff are expected to work together to achieve our aims, guided by our mission statement. Some are Christians from a variety of denominations. We value the religious background of all members of the school community, including those with no religion, and hope that this will encourage individuals to share their own experiences with others freely.

All religions and their communities are treated with respect and sensitivity and we value the links that can be made between home, school and a faith community. We acknowledge that each religion studied can contribute to the education of all of our pupils. We promote teaching in RE that stresses open enquiry and first hand experiences wherever possible for both staff and children. The syllabus is implemented by means of a sensory approach, where children may look at and handle religious artefacts, hear music or taste food from a religious tradition.

#### 3. Content of Religious Education curriculum

The content draws on the Cornwall Agreed Syllabus 2020 and is set out in modules. The following are studied:

- Christianity (this is taken from the highly comprehensive 'Understanding Christianity' resource)
- Judaism
- Hinduism
- Islam
- Thematic units that focus on previous learning complete by the children

In addition to this, the school's values-based approach is underpinned each half term with a values day which is illustrated through a deep theological study of a biblical text. See Appendix 2 – The Bishops' Values Plan.

#### 4. Time allocation

RE is taught in every class on a weekly basis. It takes up a minimum of 1 hour of curriculum time per week.

#### 5. Teaching and resources:

Learning in RE may be by means of direct whole class teaching or in smaller groups, by providing direct hands-on experience with RE resources, teacher prepared materials, stories, poetry, drama, trips and visitors. A range of reference materials for Religious Education are available comprising books, curriculum resources, online materials and website links. There are also posters and artefact boxes. Staff are aware of useful websites such as <a href="https://www.request.org.uk">www.request.org.uk</a> and also <a href="https://www.curriculumkernewek.org.uk">www.curriculumkernewek.org.uk</a>

In addition, the school has close link with St Michael's Church in Newquay and utilises the expertise of the leaders within the church as well as those in other denominational churches in the area.

#### 6. Links with other subjects

RE has links with other areas of the curriculum such as English, Science, History and Art. It also has links with the way in which the school organises its collective worship. There are very close links with the school's PSHE curriculum which is taught weekly and encourages the children to be reflective about their own thoughts and opinions as well as embrace values which are important to them.

#### 7. Withdrawal from RE

It is recognised that parents have the right to withdraw their child from RE in its entirety or in part. If a parent chooses to withdraw their child from RE then arrangements are made by the class teacher in consultation with the Headteacher.

#### 8. The Religious Education leader

Mr Rowe is the leader for RE and is responsible for the development of the subject across the school. He is responsible for helping staff to plan RE for a particular class, monitoring planning and what is taught in RE by spending time in classrooms, looking at children's work and talking to pupils. The leader is also responsible for purchase and storage of all RE resources. He works closely in his role with the Senior Leadership Team.

Mr Rowe attends training courses on new initiatives and updates on the subject and provides staff training for all teachers as well as teachers in other schools within the trust.

#### 9. Pupil Voice in RE

Our Worship Leaders group play an active role in leading worship throughout the school in our assemblies. Worship Leaders also evaluate the impact of collective worship. In Class Learning Forums, pupils are consulted about how they feel about their RE learning and their opinions are a key part of our school review process.

# 10. Monitoring and evaluation:

The RE curriculum is monitored and evaluated regularly through learning walks, planning and learning scrutinies and conversations with both children and staff. The effectiveness of any INSET for Religious Education provided from within the school or by an external agency is evaluated either by means of a written evaluation or by verbal feedback.

#### 11. Policy review

This policy is reviewed annually.

	The Bishops' Church of England Learning Academy Spiritual, Moral, Social & Cultural Development				
	Ofsted 2019	What we do	Impact/Next steps		
SPIRITUAL	Ability to be reflective about their own beliefs (religious or otherwise) and perspective on life.	Windows, Mirrors, Doors Reflections Reflections during RE lessons Reflection time during collective worship Reflection questions in RE books prayers said throughout the day in class Prayer station encouraging the children to reflect on what to be thankful for and what to ask God for	Children are able to reflect on all their learning using reflection areas Children consider and reflect on what they are thankful for and the needs of others which are then used for personal and collective prayer. Reflection areas to be embedded across the school Class Learning forums to be implemented on Friday afternoons Prayer opportunities throughout the school encouraging the children to be reflective		
	Knowledge of, and respect for, different people's faiths, feelings and values.	RE lessons- teaching of many world religions across all year groups using a range of resources including the new Agreed RE framework for Cornwall.  Sharing of beliefs during lessons and Collective Worship Daja visits school once per term linked to RE planning. 'Where in the World' display linked to flags showing all the nationalities of people that are in our school community.	We talk openly as a school about different faiths, feelings and values.  Children to be articulate in discussing other religions as well as Christianity.		
	Sense of enjoyment and fascination in learning about themselves, others and the world around them.	in our school community.  Big questions used in RE lesson such as Why is Easter important to Christians?  Children plan and lead weekly collective worship  PSHE lessons focused on our Christian School values	Understanding Christianity has generated high level thinking and class discussions. To connect with other Christian schools and communities around the world, particularly in coastal towns To work with Coventry Cathedral to become an International Cross of Nails School (ICONS-) developing relationships with schools around the world.		

Use of imagination and creativity in	Lots of drama activities within	Through all creative
their learning.	RE lessons as well as creative	curriculum topics children are
their learning.	activities such as Art and DT.	using their imagination and
		their creativity Continue to
		make sure that all children
		learning has imagination and
		creativity at the heart of it.
		Plan our new 'Blossom
		curriculum' with our
		values at it's heart.

	Willingness to reflect on their	Big questions are being asked	Children are given multiple
	experiences.	at the beginning of each topic	opportunities to reflect on all
	·	and a reflection of this at the	experience in school
		end of a topic.	Class Learning forums will
			help children with the
			language to reflect on learning
			experiences
	Al-th described	Clear behaviour 'Bee' rules and	The behaviour at our school is
<b>≤</b> 0	Ability to recognise the difference	expectations for the children.	good children are taught the
O	between right and wrong, readily	Children have an input in the	difference in right and wrong
R A L	apply this understanding in their	class rules to identify what is	on a daily basis.
	own lives and, in so doing, respect the civil and criminal law of England.	important to them and why.	
	the civil and chiminal law of Eligiand.	Teaching of the British values	Pupil voice groups need
		through everyday life and	further embedding. For
		activities.	example, we would like to
		Year 6 pupil voice groups act as	achieve the Learner
		role models to the younger	Participation award and
		children; e.g. Perfects and	renew our Healthy School
		school councillors	status.
		Christian values RE day at the	
		beginning of each half term	Use Philosophy for Children
			(P4C) to develop critical
			thinking skills around morals
			and to provide opportunities to
		Class habarians Bas sulas in	discuss rights and wrongs.  The behaviour at our school is
	Understanding of the consequences	Clear behaviour Bee rules in	
	of their behaviour and actions.	place applied consistently for all.	good. The children care for each other and we make sure
		Clear expectations of all adults.	our children feel safe to share
		Clear and consistent	any concerns or worries with
		consequences.	us. We use a prayer box and
		Individual Behaviour Plans were	our TIS practitioners check
		required as part of SEN	with identified children on a
		provision	daily basis.
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			All children know the
			expectations and our positive
			behaviour policy emphasises
			the use of verbal praise and
			choice.
	Interest in investigating and	In our collective worship	This is a priority area on our
	offering reasoned views about	assemblies where we look at	School Development Plan and
	moral and ethical issues, and being	current world issues and	we wish to develop our
	able to understand and appreciate	discuss them and create	Courageous advocacy and
	the viewpoints of others on these	prayers.	social action. The children
	issues.	School Council	would like to focus on Climate
		Discussion time in RE lessons	Change so we are at the
		and PSHE lessons	beginning of our journey to
			becoming an Eco School.
			Har BACks III
			Use P4C to discuss ethical
			and moral issues, creating
			opportunities for debate

Use of a range of social skills in different contexts, including working and socialising with pupils from different religious, ethnic and socioeconomic backgrounds.

PSHE lessons and RE lessons focus on different religions. We fully participate in all community events. Our curriculum highlights different religious, ethnic and socio-economic backgrounds

This is a priority area in our school development plan as our location on the coast in west Cornwall limits our ability to socialise with different ethnic groups.

S O CIA L	Willingness to participate in a variety of communities and social settings, including by volunteering, cooperating well with others and being able to resolve conflicts effectively.	The children at The Bishops' participate in many fundraising activities for the community. We enter as many of the local and national competitions as possible, including Sustrans 'The Big Pedal', Race for Life, raising money for Newquay foodbank and much more.	Continue to work with a school in Manchester through pen pals to learn about other children's lives in a place very different to their own home.  The school is a central part of the community and a hub for social action, most recently arranging and delivering food parcels to vulnerable families as part of the Covid19 response.  Our courageous advocacy issue of climate change through the award of Eco
	Acceptance and engagement with the fundamental British values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty and mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs; the pupils develop and demonstrate skills and attitudes that will allow them to participate fully in and contribute positively to life in modern Britain.	School council, British values are being discussed and taught in PSHE lessons and link strongly with our Christian values.  Our Christian values and therefore the British values are strongly integrated in our daily lives and are being discussed on a daily basis.  Our home learning challenges are linked to our values to ensure parents are aware of our key messages to the children	Schools.  Our Christian values underpin all we do at school and link into the British values. Our Year 5 pupils visit London to experience different faiths and beliefs and experience multicultural Britain first hand.  Further embed our values into the curriculum and establish strong links with different faiths and beliefs.  Use P4C to learn about a variety of opinions and attitudes around a wide range of issues linked with British Values.
C U L T U	Understanding and appreciation of the wide range of cultural influences that have shaped their own heritage and that of others.	Cornwall Kernewek focuses on cultural, economic, environmental and linguistic life of Cornwall.	The school has good links with local history group and has worked with them during different topics.  We will be developing topics that explore the history and geography of our local area and investigating the human and physical changes that are effecting it's development.

Understanding and appreciation of the range of different cultures within school and further afield as an essential element of their preparation for life in modern Britain. Through teaching of different religions and world beliefs and comparing them with their own. We celebrate different cultural festivals and show how they link into life in modern Britain. We emphasise the diverse range of cultures that make our country great.

History lesson-reflections of now and then.

Our hall is filled with world flags showing where our children come from. Children can articulate how cultures are different and the similarities.

In our new curriculum these links will be made explicit and children will be able to build on their skills and knowledge year on year.

R A L			Become an ICONs school to learn about the history of reconciliation work globally and create links with other schools around the world.
	Knowledge of Britain's democratic parliamentary system and its central role in shaping our history and values, and in continuing to develop Britain.	Children run our school council which follows the Learner Participation model through Cornwall Council. Every year our Yr 5 children visit Parliament in the spring term to discuss issues with our local MP. Our RE, history and geography lessons highlight the links between subjects. Daily collective worship informs children of key events.	In March 2020 our Yr5 children were present in the House of Commons for the Budget speech. This had huge impact on this cohort of children. Collective worship is topical and child led.  We wish to organise a Newquay schools council conference in the Cornwall council chambers. This happens for other areas of Cornwall and shows to children how important formal
	Willingness to participate in and respond positively to artistic, sporting and cultural opportunities.	We take every opportunity to take part in artistic, sporting and cultural opportunities, especially in the local area. We maximise participation in all inter school competitions, festivals and art projects. All children and staff take part in the Daily mile utilising our substantial outdoor areas.	debating is to solve problems.  Our children and staff show infectious enthusiasm to participate in any opportunity offered.  We would like to increase our placings in competitive sport and improve our ranking in the Cornwall School Games competition. We are setting up a school surf club to further improve our weekly fitness offer.
	Interest in exploring, improving understanding of and showing respect for different faiths and cultural diversity, and the extent to which they understand, accept, respect and celebrate diversity, as shown by their tolerance and attitudes towards different religious, ethnic and socioeconomic groups in the local, national and global communities.	Through our Understanding Christianity lessons children learn different world religions. They are able to immerse themselves into the other religion by providing them real experiences of this religion, for example with Daja's help. One of our key values is respect. Our collective worship highlights the different festivals celebrated at different times of the year.	Our value work underpins all we do and combined with our positive behaviour policy reinforces the children's tolerance and attitudes towards others.  We would like to improve the children's ability to articulate the respect and tolerance they have for other faiths and religions.

# Appendix 2

	Christi an Calend ar	Value	The Bishops' teachings	Key Bible Story	Songs	School symbol/ Link to school vision	Bee Rule	Link with British Value
Autumn 1	Harvest	Perseverance	'Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you.' Matthew 7.7  "All the darkness in the world cannot extinguish the light of a single candle" St. Francis Of Assisi	The Parable of the Lost Sheep <u>- (Mat 18:12-14 or Luke 15: 3-7)</u> The Parable of the Persistent Widow - (Luke 18:1-8)  Running a race - (1 Cor 9:24-27)  Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you - (Mat 7:7)  Jacob wrestling with an Angel <u>- (Gen 32:22-32)</u> Moses pleading with Pharaoh - (Ex 4:18 - 14:31)  Moses, Aaron and Miriam lead the Israelites wander the desert for 40 years - Second half of book of Exodus  The entire book of Job is about faith and perseverance in the face of suffering and hardship See here for simple summary - https://www.biblefunforkids.com/2014/04/job.html	Autumn days Harvest Samba Cauliflower s Fluffy	Scripture: If you have faith as small as a mustard seed. Nothing will be impossibl e for you.  - We belong to Team Bishops' where through our Chris tian distinctiv eness and nurt uring ethos we celebrate our	Launch of the Bee rules  Be proud of your school	Democracy – setting up school council and shared responsibility of the school

				The life of Jeramiah is one of perseverance in the face of persecution and hardship  Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint. – (Isa 40:31)  The passion narratives demonstrate Jesus' perseverance as well as that of Mary his Mother and Mary Magdalene, who remained with him to the end when all others had fled.  The story of Paul's life as depicted in the book of Acts and his letters tells of his perseverance throughout, imprisonment, flogging, ship wrecks, bandits, poverty, rejection, angry mobs etc.	difference s.		
Autumn 2	All saints Day Advent Christm as service	Compassion	"Where there is despair in life let me bring hope"	The story of Loaves and Fish – Feeding the 5000 (Matthew 14:13-21)  The Daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. <sup>6</sup> When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. 'This must be one of the Hebrews' children,' she said. – (Exodus 2:5-6)  But Ruth said, "Do not urge me to leave you or to return from following you. For where you go I will go, and where you lodge I will lodge. Your	School Prayer	Be friendly with everyo ne	Mutual respect  - helping others

people shall be my people, and your God my	
God.". – (Ruth 1:16). The book of Ruth tells the	
tale of a widowed women who refuses to	
abandon her mother-in-law to poverty.	
"Though the mountains be shaken and the hills	
be removed, yet my unfailing love for you will	
not be shaken nor my covenant of peace be	
removed," says the Lord, who has compassion	
on you. – (Isaiah 54:10)	
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The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger	
and abounding in steadfast love. The Lord is	
good to all, and God's compassion is over all	
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that God has made. – ( <u>Psalm 145:8-9</u> )	
Even in darkness light dawns for the upright,	
for those who are gracious and compassionate	
and righteous. <u>– (Psalm 112:3-5)</u>	
Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and	
dearly loved, clothe yourselves with	
compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and	
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patience. – <u>(Colossians 3:12)</u>	
Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you	
will fulfil the law of Christ. – (Galatians 6:2)	
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Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord	
Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the	
God of all comfort, who comforts us all in our	
troubles, so that we can comfort those in any	
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Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and	
dearly loved, clothe yourselves with	
compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and	
patience. – (Colossians 3:12)	
Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you	
will fulfil the law of Christ. – (Galatians 6:2)	
Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord	
Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the	
God of all comfort, who comforts us all in our	
troubles, so that we can comfort those in any	
trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive	
from God. – (2 Corinthians 1:3-4)	
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forgiving each other, just as Christ God forgave	
you. <u>– (Ephesians 4:32)</u>	
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When Jesus heard what had happened, he	
withdrew by boat privately to a solitary place.	
Hearing of this, the crowds followed him on	
foot from the towns. When Jesus landed and	
saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them	
and healed their sick. – (Matthew 14:13-14)	
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Two blind men were sitting by the roadside,	
and when they heard that Jesus was going by,	
they shouted, "Lord, Son of David, have mercy	
on us!" The crowd rebuked them and told them	
to be quiet, but they shouted all the louder,	
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"Lord, Son of David, have mercy on us!" Jesus	
stopped and called them. "What do you want	

me to do for you?" he asked. "Lord," they
answered, "we want our sight." Jesus had
compassion on them and touched their eyes.
Immediately they received their sight and
followed him. – (Matthew 20:30-34)
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As he approached the town gate, a dead
person was being carried out—the only son of
his mother, and she was a widow. And a large
crowd from the town was with her. When the
Lord saw her, his heart went out to her and he
said, "Don't cry." Then he went up and touched
the bier they were carrying him on, and the
bearers stood still. He said, "Young man, I say to
you, get up!" The dead man sat up and began
to talk, and Jesus gave him back to his mother.
- (Luke 7:12-15)
- <u>Luke 7.12-131</u>
When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he
had compassion on them, because they were
like sheep without a shepherd. So he began
teaching them many things. <u>– (Mark 6:34)</u>
The feeding of the 5000 – (Matthew 14:13-21)
(Mark 6:31-44) (Luke 9:12-17) (John 6:1-14)
When Jesus saw Martha weeping, and the Jews
who came with her also weeping, he was
greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved.
He said, 'Where have you laid him?' They said to
him, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus began to weep.
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- (John 11:33-35)

Jesus looked up and saw rich people putting their gifts into the treasury; he also saw a Poor Widow put in two small copper coins. He said, 'Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all of them; for all of them have contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in all she had to live on.' - (Luke 21:1-4) The letters of <u>James</u> and <u>John</u> contain a lot of good material about compassion, equality and caring for the marginalised and the oppressed. James was the brother of Jesus and John one of his disciples so these letters represent the faith response of the very first Christians who witnessed the ministry of Jesus. There are numerous other examples in the Gospels as the entirety of Jesus ministry can be surmised as one of compassion, a way of being that he sought for us to imitate, a notion is summed up in the 'Grand commandment' to Love God and to Love our neighbour as ourselves. This is the core of the Christian faith. (Matthew 22:35-40) (Mark 12:28-34) (Luke 10:27). Similarly: This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. - (John 15:12-13)

Spring 1	Epipha	Respect	"Love for God	The story of Nehemiah building the wall of	M	lantra:	Ве	Mutual respect
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	mas		path to follow					
			today. It is a	These are split into 4 categories with particular				
			call for us all	focus on environmental links:				
			to be					
			caretakers of	1. <u>Each other</u> - In everything do to others				
			creation, and	as you would have them do to you; for				
			live in	this is the law and the prophets. –				
			harmony with	( <u>Matthew 12:7</u> ) and ( <u>Luke 6:31</u> ). Also				
			it."	known as 'The Golden rule'				
				2. <u>Our Grown up's</u> - Honour your father				
				and your mother. – (Exodus 20:12).				
				Also, see the example of Jesus with the				
				respect he pays to Mary and Joseph and				
				his older cousin, John.				
				3. Our Environment - For every wild				
				animal of the forest is mine, the cattle				
				on a thousand hills. I know all the birds				
				of the air, and all that moves in the field				
				is mine. – <u>(Psalm 50:10-11)</u>				
				But ask the animals, and they will teach				
				you; the birds of the air, and they will				
				tell you; ask the plants of the earth, and				
				they will teach you; and the fish of the				
				sea will declare to you. Who among all				
				these does not know that the hand of				
				the Lord has done this? In his hand is				

the life of every living thing and the	
breath of every human being. – <u>(lob</u>	
<u>12:7-10)</u>	
<u>Job 38-41</u> and <u>Psalm 104</u> provide	
alternative creation narratives to	
Genesis 1-3 with lots of brilliant imagery	
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You cause the grass to grow for the	
cattle, and plants for people to use,	
to bring forth food from the earth, and	
wine to gladden the human heart, oil to	
make the face shine, and bread to	
strengthen the human heart. The trees	
of the Lord are watered abundantly, the	
cedars of Lebanon that he planted. In	
them the birds build their nests; the	
stork has its home in the fir trees. The	
high mountains are for the wild goats;	
the rocks are a refuge for the coneys.	
You have made the moon to mark the	
seasons; the sun knows its time for	
setting. You make darkness, and it is	
night, when all the animals of the forest	
come creeping out. The young lions	
roar for their prey, seeking their food	
from God. When the sun rises, they	
withdraw and lie down in their dens.	
People go out to their work and to their	
labour until the evening. – (Psalm 104	
<u>14-23)</u>	

Then God said, 'Let us make	
humankind in our image, according to	
our likeness; and let them have	
dominion over the fish of the sea, and	
over the birds of the air, and over the	
cattle, and over all the wild animals of	
the earth, and over every creeping thing	
that creeps upon the earth.' – (Genesis	
1:26)	
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l brought you into a plentiful land to eat	
its fruits and its good things. But when	
you entered you defiled my land, and	
made my heritage an abomination. –	
(leremiah 2:7)	
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For in him all things in heaven and on	
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earth were created, things visible and	
invisible, whether thrones or dominions	
or rulers or powers—all things have	
been created through him and for	
him. He himself is before all things, and	
in him all things hold together. –	
( <u>Colossians 1:16-17)</u>	
The notion of 'Stewardship' is the most	
popular expression of Christian	
environmentalism and, whilst not	
without its detractors on both sides of	
the climate debate, is probably the	
simplest paradigm to utilise with	
primary aged children.	

				4. Ourselves  Jesus tells us that we must love others as we love ourselves, we must therefore learn to love ourselves as God loves us.  So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. – (1 John 4:16)			
Spring 2	Shrove Tuesda y Ash Wedne sday St Piran's Day Motheri ng Sunday Holy week Easter Service	Forgiveness	"Lord make me an instrument of your peace, where there is hatred let me sow love."	The Parable of the Prodigal son – (Luke 15:11-32)  Joseph forgives his brothers – (Genesis 37-50) The Parable of the Unforgiving Servant – (Matthew 18:21-35) The Lord's Prayer – (Matthew 6:9-15)  Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven. – (Luke 6:37)  Then Peter came and said to him, 'Lord, if another sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?' Jesus said to him, 'Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. – (Matthew 18:21-22)  You have heard that it was said, "An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth." But I say to you, Do not resist an evildoer. But if anyone strikes	The Bishops' mitre and crosier (the 4 Bishops)	Be good to yoursel f	Democracy – conflict resolution through fairness

you on the right cheek, turn the other also; and if anyone wants to sue you and take your coat, give your cloak as well; and if anyone forces you to go one mile, go also the second mile. Give to everyone who begs from you, and do not refuse anyone who wants to borrow from you. You have heard that it was said, "You shall love your neighbour and hate your enemy." But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be children of your Father in heaven; for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous. For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax-collectors do the same? And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect. - (Matthew 5:38-48) The scribes and the Pharisees brought a Woman who had been caught in adultery; and making her stand before all of them, they said to Jesus, Teacher, this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery. Now in the law Moses commanded us to stone such women. Now what do you say?' They said this to test him, so that they might have some charge to bring against him. Jesus bent down and wrote with his finger on the ground. When they kept on questioning him, he straightened

				up and said to them, 'Let anyone among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her.' And once again he bent down and wrote on the ground. When they heard it, they went away, one by one, beginning with the elders; and Jesus was left alone with the woman standing before him. Jesus straightened up and said to her, 'Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?' She said, 'No one, sir.' And Jesus said, 'Neither do I condemn you. Go your way, and from now on do not sin again.' – (John 8:1-11)  Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. – (Colossians 3:13)  Jesus chose to minister to people on the edge, those who society shunned as sinners; prostitutes, tax collectors, lepers, beggars, foreign women, occupying soldiers etc. see Mary Magdalen, Zacchaeus et al.			
Summer 1	May Day Ascensi on Day	Trust	"The deeds you do may be the only sermon some	Jesus calms the storm – <u>(Matthew 8:23-27, Mark 4:35-41 &amp; Luke 8:22-25)</u> Noah's Ark – <u>(Genesis 6:9 – 8:22)</u>	Vision	Be proud of your school	The rule of law

St	persons may	Peter answered him, 'Lord, if it is you,		
George	hear today"	command me to come to you on the water.' He		
s Day		said, 'Come.' So Peter got out of the boat,		
		started walking on the water, and came		
		towards Jesus. But when he noticed the strong		
		wind, he became frightened, and beginning to		
		sink, he cried out, 'Lord, save me!' Jesus		
		immediately reached out his hand and caught		
		him, saying to him, 'You of little faith, why did		
		you doubt?' <u> – (Matthew 14:28-31)</u>		
		Jesus said to them, For truly I tell you, if you		
		have faith the size of a mustard seed, you will		
		say to this mountain, "Move from here to		
		there", and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you.' – (Matthew 17:20)		
		Impossible for you. – (Matthew 17.20)		
		When I am afraid, I put my trust in you. – (Psalm		
		56:3)		
		You who live in the shelter of the Most High,		
		who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, will		
		say to the Lord, 'My refuge and my fortress; my		
		God, in whom I trust.' – (Psalm 91:1-2)		
		Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not		
		rely on your own insight. In all your ways		
		acknowledge God, and your paths will be made		
		straight. – <u>(Proverbs 3:5-6)</u>		
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		May the God of hope fill you with all joy and		
		peace as you trust in him, so that you may		

overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. – (Romans 15:13)  Then suddenly a Woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she said to herself, 'If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well.' Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, 'Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.' And instantly the woman was made well. – (Matthew 9:20-22)  The story of Mary and Joseph – (Luke 1:26-57 and Matthew 1:18-25)  You shall not steal; you shall not deal falsely; and you shall not lie to one another. – (Leviticus 19-11)  Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. – (Colossians 3:9-10)  Much of the Bible depicts the lives of individuals who trusted in God and demonstrated great faith. As such, nearly all of	
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				played a much greater role in the foundations	Be Bold, Be			
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				suggests) who risked their lives working	https://ww			
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				them, because it is the Lord your God who goes				
				with you; he will not fail you or forsake you. –				
				(Deuteronomy 31:6)				
				Be strong and courageous; do not be				
				frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God				
				is with you wherever you go. – (Joshua 1:9)				

		Keep alert, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, be strong. – (1 Corinthians 16:13)			
		There is much material about courage in the Passion narratives as well as the letters of Paul and the account of the early church in the Pastoral letters and the book of Acts. (see Perseverance)			
		St Michael and the Dragon – (Revelation 12:7-10)			