



## Religious Education

### Intent, Implementation and Impact September

#### Intent

At St Cuthbert's Catholic Primary School, Religious Education is at the heart of our mission and curriculum. Our intent is to support pupils to grow in their knowledge and understanding of the Catholic faith, deepen their relationship with God and develop as confident, compassionate individuals who live out Gospel values in their daily lives.

Through the **Come and See** curriculum, we aim to:

- Proclaim the Gospel message and teachings of the Catholic Church
- Nurture pupils' spiritual, moral, social and cultural development
- Encourage reflection, curiosity and awe about God's presence in the world
- Help pupils understand their role within their family, community, Church and the wider world

We also intend to promote respect, understanding and tolerance by enabling pupils to learn about other world faiths, particularly **Judaism and Islam**, helping them to appreciate diversity and live harmoniously in a multicultural society.

#### Implementation

Religious Education at St Cuthbert's is carefully planned, well taught and consistently delivered across the school.

We follow the **Come and See Religious Education programme**, which is rooted in Scripture, Tradition and the teachings of the Catholic Church.

- RE is allocated at least **10% of curriculum time** in line with guidance from the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales.

- Each unit follows the **Explore, Reveal and Respond** structure, beginning with pupils' own experiences, leading them to encounter the Gospel message and reflect prayerfully on its meaning for their lives.
- Lessons are engaging, inclusive and use a range of teaching approaches such as:
  - Scripture study and storytelling
  - Prayer, liturgy and collective worship
  - Discussion, drama, art and music
  - Use of religious artefacts and sacred spaces

Prayer is woven naturally into daily school life, supporting pupils in developing a personal relationship with God.

In addition, pupils learn about **Judaism and Islam** as part of the Come and See programme. Teaching encourages pupils to explore what living and practising these faiths looks like for believers today, promoting meaningful dialogue and respect for others.

### **Monitoring**

Assessment in RE is ongoing and informs future teaching. Teachers assess pupils' knowledge, understanding and ability to reflect and respond through discussion, written work and creative outcomes. Work is moderated at least termly in school and is moderated externally in the summer term.

### **Staff development**

All staff in school are offered the opportunity to undertake the CCRS qualification. School make use of the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle CD programme. The RE subject lead also carries out CPD.

### **Impact**

As a result of our Religious Education curriculum, pupils at St Cuthbert's:

- Develop a secure and age-appropriate understanding of the Catholic faith
- Are able to reflect thoughtfully on Scripture and religious beliefs
- Grow spiritually, developing a sense of awe, wonder and personal faith
- Show respect, tolerance and empathy towards others and their beliefs
- Recognise the importance of love, service, forgiveness and justice in their lives

By the time pupils leave St Cuthbert's Catholic Primary School, they are well prepared to continue their faith journey, contribute positively to their communities and live out Christian values in an increasingly diverse world.

