

# 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



## How do Christians use the Bible to help them with their lives?

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### Key Vocabulary:

- Sacred
- Bible
- Old Testament
- New Testament
- Faith
- Hebrew
- Scripture

### New Knowledge:

- Most faith communities have a book – or several - that they regard as sacred. These books usually:
  - - are regarded as divinely inspired (or, in Buddhism, the wisdom of the Buddha).
  - - are necessary to the spiritual and moral life of the individual and the community.
  - - provide many images, stories and sayings which nourish people in times of doubt or distress.
  - - give light or guidance on a path.
- The Bible is divided into two main parts, The Old Testament and The New Testament.
- The Old Testament includes many different kinds of writing - history, law, poetry, proverbs and prophecy. They were mostly written in the Hebrew language.
- The 27 books of the New Testament are holy to all Christians. They include four books of eyewitness accounts.
- The bible is a compilation of 66 books and letters, written by more than 40 authors, written in 1500 years.
- Some Christians believe the Bible is the word of God so is literally true; others think its message needs to be interpreted according to the context in which it is read.
- Christian worship involves praising God in music, speech, readings from scripture, prayers of various sorts, a sermon and various holy ceremonies.

