



Year 3 RE

How are beliefs expressed through art?

Exploring how faith is expressed through a variety of arts offers many opportunities to experience and study a variety of expressions of belief and to link this with arts subjects. The unit includes music, visual art, drama and dance.

What do creation stories tell us about our world?

This unit will explore the creation stories from Christianity, Judaism, Islam and Sikhism. It will consider how these stories have impacted upon the faiths in the past, and how relevant they are today. It will allow pupils to compare and contrast the different creation stories.

What does it mean to be a Jew?

This unit focuses on what it is like to be Jewish, exploring beliefs about God; about how ideas of God are expressed in stories, celebration, ritual and action; about Moses as a key leader in the Jewish tradition; about the Torah as a sacred text; about the great festivals of Pesach, and the weekly celebration of Shabbat, illustrating how Jewish people try to live. This unit gives the children opportunities to explore how religious artefacts and texts can be a source for learning and for beliefs. The lessons offer experiences of looking at and examining artefacts and texts from within the Jewish tradition, so that children develop their enquiry skills, asking and reflecting on a range of questions.

What do Christians believe about a good life?

Pupils begin this unit by learning about the importance of the Bible for Christians – what it is and how it helps Christians to live their lives. Pupils will explore Jesus' teachings about rules and behaviour in relation to a variety of Bible stories and parables. Throughout the unit pupils should be encouraged to reflect on the influence of Bible stories on individuals and communities. Pupils should also be encouraged to think about how they, themselves may be able to relate to each story presented. Pupils reflect on, analyse and evaluate their own beliefs and what it means to lead a good life. This unit will end with an assessment task to see how well pupils can demonstrate their understanding of how Christians use the Bible to lead a good life.