

Religious Education Report for Governors

March 2018

Curriculum Coverage

During the year the whole school has followed the Wirral Scheme of Work for R.E. which allows the children to learn about a range of faiths as well as the wider world and global issues such as Fair-trade, our planet, Harvest, making choices in the community, helping others and learning about special people and places.

	Autumn		Spring		Summer	
Foundation 2	I'm special My Feelings	Christmas (A Special Baby)	Jesus A Special Person in a Special Book	Easter (New Life)	Helping	
Year 1	Gifts – Harvest of Hands	Preparation for a Celebration / Here Comes Christmas	New Beginnings	Easter – Surprise!	Our Planet	
Year 2	Hinduism - Diwali - Festival of Light Including Christmas		Special Places Christianity – Easter: Alive!		Me and Families and Friends	
Year 3	Responsibility	Care and Concern - Christmas	Sikhism	Easter	Special People: Moses and Abraham	
Year 4	The Bible Angels The Shepherd's Story		Buddhism	Easter: Peter	Journeys	Special Places
Year 5	Islam	Christmas in Art	Christianity - Easter		Precious	The Natural World
Year 6	Christian Faith In Action Promises Prophecy / Magi		Judaism	Easter in Art	Making Choices Memories	Living in a Global Community

Events

Harvest – Our Harvest Festival helped remind the children of all the good things God gives them. We celebrated by singing, praying and decorating our school hall with donations of fruit and food. This year's donations were given to the NEO Centre, which helps support families within our local community.



Multi-Faith Week – During this week, each year group focussed on a particular religious festival; Year 6 - Hanukkah, Year 5 - Ramadan, Year 4 - Chinese New Year, Year 3 - Christmas, Year 2 – Diwali and Year 1 – Eid.



Christmas – We enjoyed our annual Christmas Carol Service at Tranmere Methodist Church. During the ceremony the Nativity story was retold, songs were sung by all and the highlight of the service was a performance by the school choir.



Foundation 2 and Year 1 Performances – Their Christmas performances of the Nativity were very well attended by parents and carers and definitely had the ‘adorable factor!’

Easter – Our Easter assembly was held in school. We sang Springtime and Easter songs as well as each year group retelling part of the Easter story through songs, poems or drama performances.

Local Churches - We are very fortunate at Mersey Park Primary to have two welcoming churches within our community. Both churches have hosted pupils throughout the year to support and further their understanding of Christianity.

Reverend Steve Carpenter (Tranmere Methodist Church) and Helen Eccles (St Catherine’s Church) regularly visit school and deliver engaging and educational assemblies covering a range of topics within our RE, Rights Respecting Schools and SMSC Curriculum.

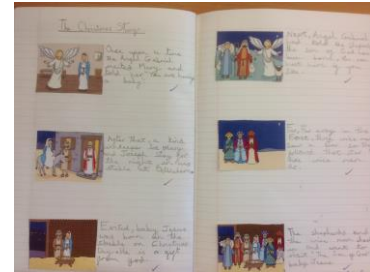
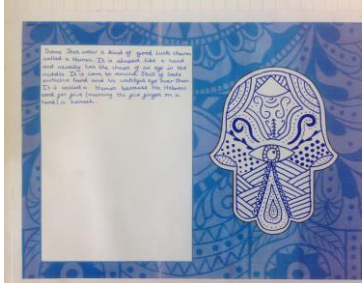
Helen also organised a lunchtime Bible Club, for children in KS2.

Sainsbury’s Prenton – We have been working closely with store manager Nick Hughes to help raise awareness of different religious festivals throughout the year. Pupils’ work has been on display in the store, informing customers of the key elements of each celebration.



Monitoring

Earlier in the year I spent a day monitoring how RE was being delivered across the school. During the day, I met with our RE link governor Reverend Steve Carpenter to discuss the current curriculum and review our SMSC policy. I also used the opportunity to interview pupils and look at their RE books. All children spoke enthusiastically about their RE lessons and particularly enjoyed the cross-curricular links between RE and Art.



End of year Data

End of July 2017 data

	Below Expected	At Expected or Above	Above Expected
Year 1	20%	80%	0%
Year 2	12%	88%	21%
Year 3	18%	82%	21%
Year 4	18%	82%	20%
Year 5	3%	97%	13%
Year 6	14%	86%	5%

When comparing this data to end of year data for 2016 we have seen a slight increase in most year groups in the percentage of children working at expected or above, with only a small decrease (6%) in Year One.

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