

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Teacher in charge - Mr M. Macaulay

Pupils follow a course based upon the Gloucestershire Agreed Syllabus for Religious Education. This syllabus seeks “to engage pupils with key questions arising from the study of religion so as to promote their spiritual, moral, social and cultural development” (Gloucestershire Agreed Syllabus 2006-2011). It encourages key skills and attitudes that are fundamental to the study of religion.

The Course

Over the year the following topics will be studied.

Term 1	What is God?
Term 2	Evil and Suffering
Term 3	Happiness
Term 4	Justice, Poverty and Wealth
Term 5	Life After Death
Term 6	The Great RE Debates

Range of Activities

Pupils will be involved in a wide range of activities including research, creative writing, debate and discussion, watching videos and slides, reading, participating in group and practical activities (e.g. drama, drawing, tasting, handling artefacts, project work etc.) The aim is to encourage an understanding of commitment and belief.

Homework Requirements

Homework will be set approximately once a fortnight. It may sometimes involve going to the library to research a topic or learning new words/concepts.

Assessment

Pupils will be assessed through a series of individual, paired and group activities. They will also be encouraged to develop self and peer assessment skills.