



Religious Education



Archdiocese of Liverpool

Curriculum intent:

Our intent is to develop a community where pupils learn to love God with all their minds, where they learn to 'know their creed so well that they can give an account of it'. The central subject matter of religious education is 'the comprehensive and systematic study of the mystery of God, of the life and teachings of Jesus Christ, the teachings of his Church, the central beliefs that Catholics hold, the basis for them and the relationship between life and faith'.

At St. Gregory's, religious education, although distinct from evangelisation, can be received as Good News by those students who want to discover answers to 'the deepest questions of life and find reasons for the hope which is within them'.

We aim to challenge misconceptions, intolerance, prejudice and discrimination on the grounds of gender, race, creed, sexual orientation and/or disability as per the Equality Act 2010, recognising the human person as one 'created in "the image and likeness" of God'.

Year 8

TERM 1

Content

The Sacramental Journey

- Sacraments of Initiation
- Sacraments of Vocation
- Sacraments of Healing (including Hospice Movement)
- Different Christian views about sacraments

Prophecy and Promise

- Scripture and tradition
- The structure and translation of the Bible
- Authorship of the Bible
- Liturgy of the Word

Concepts and Skills

- Religious vocabulary
- Referencing sources of authority
- Interpretation of key texts
- Bible referencing
- Collaborative learning
- Comparing different religious viewpoints

TERM 2

Galilee to Jerusalem

- Final revelation and the Incarnation
- Jesus' titles
- The Trinity
- Living out Jesus' example

Desert to Garden

- Sacraments as an extension of the Incarnation
- The Catholic Mass
- The Eucharist
- Different Christian beliefs about the Eucharist

- Religious vocabulary
- Referencing sources of authority
- Interpretation of key texts
- Collaborative learning
- Comparing different religious viewpoints
- Making judgements on different viewpoints

TERM 3

To the ends of the Earth

- The Holy Spirit in Luke's Gospel
- Pentecost
- The mission of the Church
- The Sacrament of Confirmation

Dialogue and Encounter

- Church councils
- Christian denominations
- Christian unity and Ecumenism
- Encounter with other religions

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