

Living and fulfilling our Christian vision

'Still other seed fell on good soil, where it produced a crop- a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown.'

(Matthew 13 Verse 8)

Religious Education

Our religious education curriculum is regarded as a core subject in line with English, maths and science. We believe that RE should be of the highest standard and that it should reflect our school's distinctive Christian character.

It aims to ensure that children have the knowledge they need to navigate successfully in an increasingly complex world and to enable a safe space to explore questions of meaning.

Our Core Curriculum (The Good Soil)

In RE, it is our intent that children will learn about religion and from religion. They are taught to understand the belief and practice of Christianity, which influences our school and community.

The religious knowledge, skills and concepts are taught in a progressive way to ensure that children's understanding is extended and broadened each year. Children are taught using an enquiry cycle to engage, enquire, explore, evaluate and express their learning. An exploratory question is posed at the beginning of each unit. This approach enables learners to look first at a religious text before moving on to looking at the impact of this concept in the religious community and on the life of the individual: it reflects a good balance between theology, philosophy and human sciences.

Our Enrichment (The Right Conditions)

Our RE curriculum is enriched with opportunities and experiences to broaden children's knowledge and understanding. It aims to encourage children to explore, understand and appreciate religious beliefs and practice, and to develop the ability to ask others about their faith and beliefs in a mature and respectful manner.

These opportunities and experiences include access to a range of religious artefacts and texts from a variety of world faiths. Children may learn through drama, song, stories, art, discussions and video clips.

We have strong links with our local churches which play an important and active role in the Christianity units of the RE curriculum. They support us with activities throughout the year such as whole school services and 'Experience' days.

Shaping the Future (Harvesting the Crop)

Our RE curriculum plays an important role in preparing children for life beyond Great Finborough Church Primary School. Our children develop open-mindedness, respect for all, appreciation and wonder, and self-awareness. Our children celebrate differences and flourish as individuals with their own sense of identity and belonging.