



How are the British Values developed in RE?

Democracy

In RE, we are aware of and consider the views and values of others. Children's ideas and opinions are encouraged through open and respectful conversations in the RE lessons. The lessons encourage students to feel comfortable both in asking and answering questions about their own and other views. This is linked with the Bridgewater Value of 'Respect.'

Rule of Law

In RE, we understand the school rules and values and recognise their importance in helping us to create a respectful learning environment. The children go into each RE lesson knowing and following the school rules and expectations which allow them to create the calm and safe learning spaces. The Re lessons further support this as it teaches the children of the laws of religion so that they understand what a law might be. Each year group will have enquiry questions that covers the rule of law for each unit of study they take part in. This is linked with the Bridgewater Value of 'Responsibility.'

Individual Liberty

In RE, the children are encouraged to express their own ideas and beliefs in a respectful environment, free from judgement. The children are given opportunities to ask questions and share their own experiences and ideas with each other. Additionally, the children are further encouraged to support and recognise the importance in others idea and beliefs. While this is an important part of the RE lessons, it aims at supporting children in creating this environment in all other lessons and aspects of their daily life. Each unit of enquiry allows for students to ask new questions and encourages the students to develop their individual liberty. This is linked with the Bridgewater Values of 'Respect and Resilience.'

Mutual respect

In RE, each lesson aims to promote tolerance of different faiths, beliefs, and mutual respect. The children are supported in understanding others' ideas and taught how to consider these alongside their own beliefs if different. Each religion is celebrated, and students are encouraged to recognise the value of these for others. Ideas and beliefs are regularly shared in lessons, and we appreciate that religion is a personal experience that can be viewed differently by everyone. RE also supports regular festivals and traditions and makes connections between these and their connected religions. This is linked with the Bridgewater Value of 'Respect.'

