



Religion and World Views at the The Hendreds

As a Church of England school, spiritual development is at the core of teaching and learning at The Hendreds. Exploring a range of religious and non-religious world views gives children an understanding of people in the world around them and the opportunity to increase self-awareness and reflect on their own views, beliefs and identity. Our curriculum gives children a deep understanding of the core beliefs and practices of Christianity and provides a knowledge-rich programme of study covering a range of other religions and world views including Judaism, Islam, Hinduism, Sikhi and Buddhism. Children develop understanding, tolerance and respect for a diverse range of beliefs, values and practices by learning where beliefs come from and how they impact and shape the way all people behave and live their lives. Lessons explore religion and world views through the lenses of theology (believing), human & social sciences (living) and philosophy (thinking), offering children opportunities to ask and consider challenging questions about the lived reality of religions and world views, and reflect upon their own opinions and beliefs.

We believe the teaching and learning of Religion and World Views is excellent when...

Children gain a secure understanding of Christian texts, beliefs and practices and can make links to our school's Christian ethos and values

Children are engaged by content rich and relevant teaching, exploring the core concepts and practices of a broad range of religions and world views

Children can make connections between beliefs, practices and behaviours of believers in today's world

Discussion and debate about 'Big Ideas' enable children to express, evaluate and challenge opinions with justifications

Both staff and pupils can identify, share and reflect on their own beliefs and spirituality and show understanding and tolerance towards others