



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

Creation and Covenant

- The Fall and Original Sin
- Conscience
- Created 'Imago Dei'
- The Sacrament of Baptism

Prophecy and Promise

- Old Testament prophets and prophecies
- The call to care for the poor
- The use of parables in prophecies
- The connection between Advent and prophecy

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

- The Kingdom of God
- Jesus' treatment of marginalised people
- Parables and Eschatology
- Miracles of Jesus

Desert to Garden

- The meaning of suffering
- Jesus the suffering servant
- Lent and the Easter Triduum
- Sacrament of Reconciliation

- 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 Resurrection
- Eschatology
- Catholic funeral rites

Dialogue and Encounter

- The Second Vatican Council
- Ecclesiam Suam
- Other Catholic Churches
- The Abrahamic Faiths

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