Religious Education Curriculum Intent

For St John Bosco Catholic Primary School and St Chad's Catholic Primary School

Intent

Our curriculum is rooted in the Catholic faith and follows the strategy of Discerning Disciples within the Archdiocese of Birmingham. At the heart of our curriculum is our commitment to form Christ-centred pilgrims of hope with kind hearts, questioning minds, a thirst for knowledge and a hunger for justice.

We aim to provide a rich, ambitious and inclusive curriculum that enables every child to recognise their God-given gifts, develop their knowledge and understanding, and become confident, compassionate and responsible members of society.

We believe that every child is created in the image and likeness of God and is called to flourish. Through high-quality teaching and carefully planned learning experiences, pupils are encouraged to be curious, reflective and discerning. They learn not simply to acquire knowledge, but to think deeply about what they learn, ask meaningful questions, consider the choices they make and understand how their actions can positively influence others and the world around them.

We seek to form Christ-centred pupils with kind hearts, who demonstrate compassion, respect the dignity of every person and recognise the needs of others. As pilgrims of hope, they are encouraged to live out their faith through their words and actions, bringing hope to their school, families, communities and the wider world.

We nurture questioning minds and a thirst for knowledge through an ambitious curriculum that encourages curiosity, critical thinking and a lifelong love of learning. Pupils are encouraged to explore, enquire, reflect and make connections, developing the knowledge and skills they need to understand themselves and the world around them.

We foster a hunger for justice, enabling pupils to recognise injustice and understand their responsibility to respond. Grounded in Gospel values and Catholic Social Teaching, pupils learn to stand in solidarity with others, care for God's creation, promote the common good and use their God-given talents in the service of others.

Through becoming Discerning Disciples, our pupils learn to listen attentively, reflect prayerfully, make wise choices and recognise God's presence in their lives. Our ultimate intention is that every child leaves our school equipped with the faith, knowledge, skills, virtues and confidence to flourish, serve others and become the person God is calling them to be.

RE Curriculum Overview

All year groups explore the same curriculum branches, with learning carefully sequenced to ensure progression in knowledge, understanding and skills as pupils move through the school.

Autumn 1	**Creation and Covenant**
Autumn 2	**Prophecy and Promise**
Spring 1	**Galilee to Jerusalem**
Spring 2	**Desert to Garden**
Summer 1	**To the End of the Earth**
Summer 2	**Dialogue and Encounter**