

Welcome to Archbishop Temple from your friendly RE Department!

We are really looking forward to meeting you in our classrooms in September! RE at high school is very similar to RE in Year 6! We spend a great deal of time thinking about the impact that being a believer has upon a person's life – how they act and how they think! Sometimes we are learning facts but a lot of the time we are talking about beliefs and opinions and learning from each other.

This current pandemic has made a huge difference to everyone's life. Who could have imagined that we would be learning from home for so much of the school year? However, it has brought out the very best in most people!

Over the summer, the RE department would like you to do a little bit of local research about religions during the pandemic. What has been going on while places of worship have been shut?

Your task:

Choose a religion that has a place of worship in Preston. This could be

- your own local place of worship
- a place of worship from your religion but not where you worship locally
- a place of worship from a different religion

Find out what your chosen place of worship has been doing to help others during the pandemic.

- How has it helped people to pray?
- Has it done anything to look after people who are lonely or vulnerable?
- Has it joined with any other organisation so that it can help people? What has it done?
For example, I am a Christian, my local church has been shut since the start of lockdown but the minister has kept in touch with us via a parish Facebook page. He has arranged for some people to shop for those who are housebound and to make socially distanced visits. Another faith community has been supporting the local food bank.

Presenting your information

I would like you to present your information on a single piece of A4 paper. You can use on side or both sides. You can either present your work as a written document or a piece of artwork. You might even like to design an information leaflet.

In RE we love seeing your work and finding out your thoughts and ideas. We are super excited to be meeting you in September!