

Religious Education Rationale

At Brookfields Primary School we develop the children's knowledge and understanding of the major world faiths. The aim is for all pupils to secure an indepth understanding of a range of religious traditions and non-religious worldviews, whilst developing an appreciation and understanding of the dispositions set out in the Birmingham Agreed Syllabus. Pupils cover 24 dispositions set out in the Birmingham Agreed Syllabus which are interwoven within all religions and through reference to a range of established non-religious worldviews including Humanism.

The dispositions encourage pupils to think about, and act upon, a growing understanding of their own faith or viewpoint, whilst acknowledging their neighbour's perspective. By the end of Year 6, the 24 dispositions are covered three times. This enables pupils to have a deeper understanding of the disposition through a variety of religious faiths and beliefs.

The Birmingham Agreed Syllabus for Religious Education aims to:

- Promote the spiritual, moral, cultural, mental and physical development of pupils at the school and in society
- Prepares pupils for the opportunities, responsibilities and experiences of adult life
- Education of religious life and traditions brings a dimension to the process of educating that is life-enhancing for pupils and specifically contributes to their spiritual and moral development.

RE contributes to pupils' personal development and well-being by promoting mutual respect and tolerance in a diverse society. It offers opportunities for personal reflection and spiritual development. This will enable pupils to have an understanding of the different beliefs and practices of various religions including those without a faith and the impact on the world.