



Christ the King Catholic Voluntary Academy

'Believe and Achieve'

The RE Programme: Come and See



Religious Education is at the centre of all we do, here at Christ the King. It can be seen throughout our school, not just in our RE lessons, but through Collective Worship including assemblies and liturgies, our links with our local parish and our behaviour towards one another.

RE is a core subject and, in line with the Bishops' Conference recommendations, 10% of teaching time is allocated to RE.

In September 2012 the school, like all of those in the Nottingham diocese, replaced the 'Here I Am' syllabus with our current programme called 'Come and See'.

'Come and See' invites pupils to explore the religious aspects of life, dignity and purpose within the Catholic tradition. Pupils reflect on personal experiences and links are made with the Catholic faith as well as other faith traditions.

A variety of teaching methods and resources are used, including stories from the Bible, songs and hymns, role play, liturgical dance, creative activities, videos and CDs and discussion.

The pupils study three themes each term and 63 topics in total from Reception through to Year 6.

The themes are:

Autumn term: Our church - Family, Baptism and Confirmation - Belonging, Advent and Christmas - Loving.

Spring term: Local church - Community, Eucharist - Relating, Lent and Easter - Giving.

Summer term: Pentecost - Serving, Reconciliation - Inter-relating, Universal church - World.

All of the topics are rooted in the children's own experiences in life and our teachers then extend the learning further through reflection and purposeful activities. We look at scripture passages that match the topic being covered and unpick the meaning and how we can use this Scripture to enhance our lives and help us to be better Christians.

During the academic year, two other faiths are also taught; during the Advent Term, we learn about Judaism; during the Pentecost Term, we discover more about another world religion such as Islam, Sikhism or Hinduism.

Each term, parents receive an information sheet that details what the pupils will cover as well as some suggested activities that can be done at home to support pupils. Each topic also comes with a Knowledge Organiser to test your children on the key knowledge of each unit at home.