



Keskowethyans
Multi Academy Trust

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To be reviewed next	
Signed by Chair	

**Incorporating
Coverack, Grade-Ruan C of E [Voluntary Controlled],
Manaccan, St. Keverne and St. Martin-in-Meneage
Primary Schools.**

Religious Education Policy

Date policy sent to	Date
Secretaries	15.12.15
Lead Teachers	15.12.15
Chairs of LGBs	15.12.15
GS for Website	15.12.15
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INTRODUCTION

Religious Education [RE] is part of the basic curriculum of all of the schools that make up the Keskowethyans Multi Academy Trust. Our programmes of study follow Cornwall's Locally Agreed Syllabus for Religious Education [2014] and provide an opportunity for children to develop an understanding and knowledge of Christianity and the other principal religions, as follows, during their primary school years:

- Christianity
- Buddhism
- Hinduism
- Sikhism
- Judaism
- Islam

AIMS

- To experience activities that develop and further children's sense of curiosity, awe and wonder about the world around them
- To enable children to engage confidently, constructively and reflectively with beliefs, values and lifestyles in a religiously diverse world
- To support children to be healthy, stay safe, to enjoy and achieve, to make a positive contribution to their school, the wider community and, as they get older, to their future world
- To acquire and develop knowledge and understanding of Christianity and the other principal religions in Great Britain
- To develop an understanding of the influence of beliefs, values and traditions on individuals, communities, societies and cultures
- To provide opportunities to support children in developing the ability to make reasoned and informed judgements about religious and moral issues
- To acquire knowledge and understanding of religions in Cornwall in the present day and to appreciate how these religious traditions have shaped the identity of Cornwall
- To reflect on their own beliefs, values and experiences
- To enhance children's spiritual, moral, cultural and social development
- To promote and nurture a mutual respect and tolerance of other people's faiths and religions

OBJECTIVES

Children should:

- be introduced to the language and vocabulary of different religions
- explore the language which people use to express their feelings
- be encouraged to develop an understanding of symbolism, faith, celebration and ritual
- experience a wide range of learning activities including first hand experiences and the opportunity to use secondary resources
- encounter RE through cross-curricular links such as topic themes
- use artefacts, ICT, scripts, scriptures, meet visitors and make visits to enhance their learning
- be encouraged to develop and use the skills of investigation, interpretation, reflection, empathy, evaluation, comparison, expression, application and collaboration.

GRADE-RUAN C OF E SCHOOL

At Grade-Ruan we aim to foster firm, Christian foundations by actively promoting Christian values and approaches to life. The RE syllabus complements the school's programme of Collective Worship, and together they reflect and nurture the Christian ethos of Grade-Ruan school.

PARENTAL RIGHT

Parents at all schools have the right to withdraw their child from RE in whole or in part, and any parent who wishes to exercise this right should consult the Headteacher.