

Religious Education Overview

Vision Statement

With God's help

We will live kindly,

Love each other,

Learn and laugh together!

Mission Statement

The March CE School will preserve and develop its religious character in accordance with the Church of England and in partnership with the Church at parish and diocesan level.

The March CE School aims to serve its community by providing an education of the highest quality within the context of Christian belief and practice. It encourages an understanding of the meaning and significance of faith, and promotes Christian values through the experience it offers all its pupils.

Aims and objectives

Religious education enables children to investigate and reflect on some of the most fundamental questions asked by people. At The March C E Primary School, we develop the children's knowledge and understanding of Christianity and some of the major world faiths. They are given opportunities to address fundamental questions concerning, for example, the meaning of life and the existence of a divine spirit. We enable children to reflect on what it means to have a faith and to develop their own spiritual knowledge and understanding.

The purpose of teaching Religious Education at the March C E is to:
Show children that Christianity is about following the living God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit and that this is relevant to their daily lives. Extend children's ability to reflect upon themselves as whole people, experiencing life through body, mind and spirit. Help pupils understand the significance of religion and its contribution to their spiritual, moral, social and cultural development.

Through the teaching of Religious Education we aim to:

- to develop an awareness of spiritual and moral issues arising in their lives;
- to develop knowledge and understanding of Christianity and other major world religions adhered to in the UK;
- to develop an understanding of what it means to be committed to a religious tradition;
- to be capable of reflecting on their own experiences, and of developing a personal response to the fundamental questions of life;
- to develop an understanding of religious traditions, and an appreciation of cultural similarities and differences in the UK today;
- to develop their investigative and research skills, in order to hold reasoned opinions on religious issues;
- to have respect for other people's views, and hence to celebrate diversity in society.