

## Religious Education at Pitmaston Primary School



RE's principal aim, as set out in the new national curriculum, is to engage pupils in systematic enquiry into significant human questions



which religion and worldviews address, so that they can develop the understanding and skills needed to appreciate and appraise various responses to these questions, as well as develop responses of their own.

At Pitmaston, we learn about the six main world religions (Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, Judaism, Buddhism and Sikhism) as well as about non-religious worldviews such as Humanism. We aim to provoke challenging questions about meaning and purpose in life, beliefs about God, issues of right and wrong and what it means to be human.



Children will learn to weigh up the value of wisdom from different sources, to develop and express their responses as well as to agree or indeed disagree in a respectful manner. It is our intention for our pupils to develop an aptitude for dialogue and

discussion so that they can participate positively in the diverse British society we all live in as well as have an understanding and appreciation of religions and worldviews beyond our borders.



In order to make the RE topics less abstract for children, we invite regular visitors from different faiths to our assemblies and some of our lessons. We also use a small bank of videos of interviews that the RE teachers have conducted with people from various religious and non-religious backgrounds. In addition to meeting and talking to visitors who represent Modern



Britain, most year groups will visit a denominational place of worship during the school year.