



St. Aidan's Church of England Primary School



Spirituality within the Curriculum

History

Spirituality weaves through every aspect of life at St. Aidan's, permeating our vision, culture, and daily practices. Our pupils have enquiring minds and want to learn about themselves, others and the world.

Through our ambitious and broad curriculum, children have opportunities to ignite their interests and talents. Rich spiritual opportunities exist across the history curriculum for all children at every age.

Spirituality is woven into the teaching of history as our children embark on a journey through the rich tapestry of human experiences. History lessons provide a platform for exploring diverse cultures, traditions, and belief systems, enabling our children to develop an understanding of the spiritual dimensions that have shaped societies throughout time. Through the study of historical figures, events, and civilisations, our children may reflect on the moral and ethical aspects of human behaviour, fostering a sense of empathy and interconnectedness with the past. Our history curriculum is a gateway for our children to ponder their own spiritual identities and values. By connecting with the stories of people from different periods, our children cultivate a broader perspective on spirituality and develop a deeper appreciation for the shared human quest for meaning and purpose across time.

The History curriculum has been designed with many opportunities for spiritual development in mind.

- Being in touch with past people, things and ideas.
- Being part of history.
- Handling artefacts.
- Influential events and people.
- The commitment of significant people in history.
- War and peace.
- Interpretation in history.
- The nature and importance of invention and exploration.
- Empathy with people from other times in history.