

Enrichment in R.E. – Burlington Junior School

At our school, Religious Education is about helping children explore different faiths, beliefs and worldviews in a respectful, engaging and meaningful way. Alongside their R.E. lessons, children will take part in a range of workshops, assemblies and special events throughout the year. These experiences bring learning to life and encourage children to ask questions, reflect on their own ideas and develop an understanding of the beliefs and traditions of others.

Below is an overview of the enrichment opportunities we are planning for each year group in 2026/2027. Please note that some dates are still to be confirmed and may be subject to change.

Year 3

Spring Term

- Judaism Synagogue assembly (ahead of learning about Judaism in the summer term)

Spring Term 2

- Insight Workshop in classrooms – Christianity. This explores the theme of ‘what kind of world would Jesus want?’ and is linked to the topic ‘*Why do Christians call the day Jesus died ‘Good Friday?’*

Year 4

Autumn Term 1

- Insight Workshop in classrooms – Christianity. This is linked to the topic ‘*What Is the Trinity, and Why Is It Important for Christians?’*

Year 5

Autumn Term 2

- Insight Workshop in classrooms – Christianity. This is linked to the topic ‘*Jesus as Messiah*’.

Spring Term

- Judaism Synagogue assembly to support learning about Judaism in spring 2

Spring Term 2

- The Easter Experience

Year 6

Summer Term 2

- Insight Workshop in classrooms – Christianity. This is linked to the topic '*For Christians, What Kind of King Was Jesus?*'
- Insight workshop regarding transition to Year 7 (subject to confirmation)

Whole School Opportunities

Throughout the year, children will also enjoy a number of whole-school events, including:

- An Easter assembly led by the Vicar from St James' Church.
- A Christmas service at the church.
- Assemblies led by members of the senior leadership team regarding religious festivals taking place at different points in the year, including but not limited to Diwali, Hannukah, Eid al-Fitr, Eid al-Adha, Ramadan, Advent, Harvest, Pongal.
- Assemblies led by our own members of staff, sharing aspects of their faith, including Islam and Catholicism – particularly regarding religious festivals.
- Assemblies and workshops led by visitors from local faith communities, including Muslim, Christian and Jewish representatives.

Opportunities currently being planned:

- We are in contact with Kingston Muslim Youth regarding workshops they can offer in school.
- A visit to Kingston Mosque. Going forward this will be a trip that runs in Year 5; however, the current Year 5s visited in both Year 2 and Year 3 so may not attend this year to avoid repetition.
- Visits to other places of worship in the local area.

We will of course inform you if changes are made to the information above and any external trips are planned.

These experiences are an important part of our R.E. curriculum and help children to develop respect, understanding and appreciation for the diverse beliefs and communities that make up our world.

We look forward to sharing these experiences with the children throughout the year.