

## **Religious Education**

Religious education (RE) is a statutory subject to be taught in all schools except nursery schools. Living Difference is the agreed syllabus for RE education in Hampshire. Living Difference seeks to address religious, social and racial harmony through respect for difference and diversity. Parents have the right to withdraw their children from RE lessons.

The Agreed Syllabus for RE reflects the fact that the religious traditions in Great Britain are in the main Christian, while taking account of other principal religions represented in the country. At Key Stage 1, Christianity and one other religion are explored. At Knights Enham Infant School the other religion studied is Judaism.

RE units are studied in blocks, one each half term. This means that RE takes place during one week each half term.

In planning learning, we start by identifying concepts to be enquired into. In Foundation Stage, children are introduced to simple concepts such as celebration, specialness and belonging. During Key Stage 1, children are introduced to concepts such as changing emotions, light as a symbol and remembering.

RE units give opportunities for developing skills such as speaking and listening, reading, drama, writing, art and music as well as skills in reflection, empathy, comprehension, investigation, evaluation, interpretation and analysis.