

## Sonning Church of England Primary School **Spirituality at Sonning**

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Our Definition	<ul> <li>I am aware of my feelings and emotions and can express them.</li> <li>I am aware of my uniqueness and I am happy with who I am.</li> <li>I can reflect on my feelings, actions and decisions.</li> <li>I believe in myself and can overcome challenges.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>I respect other people's feelings, beliefs and background.</li> <li>I realise the impact of my actions on others.</li> <li>I show love and respect for others.</li> <li>I can show empathy.</li> <li>I can form and maintain healthy and positive relationships.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>I am making sense of the world.</li> <li>I am asking and thinking about life's 'Big Questions'.</li> <li>I am learning from history and my personal experiences.</li> <li>I am exploring being connected to something bigger than myself.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>I have a sense of awe and wonder ('wow' moments).</li> <li>I show gratitude for everything I have.</li> <li>I enjoy the miracles in everyday life.</li> <li>I can see the beauty in the world around me.</li> <li>I can see beauty in art, music and nature.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>I am developing my own system of beliefs</li> <li>I am forming my own sense of identity.</li> <li>I am forming my own my own personal values and how they guide my decisions.</li> <li>I am growing a sense of my capacity and desire to change the world and challenge social injustice.</li> </ul>
Planned Opportunities for Spiritual Development	<ul> <li>Regular time for prayer, silence, stillness, reflection, etc.</li> <li>PSHCE curriculum (well being units, mindfulness, Mental Health awareness).</li> <li>Emotional regulation work.</li> <li>APS days (extra curricular activities).</li> <li>Liddington Y6 residential trip.</li> <li>Creative Home Learning choices.</li> <li>Planned 'pause points'.</li> <li>Mental Health days and focus weeks.</li> <li>Bespoke Well-being curriculum.</li> <li>Curriculum time for self-reflection.</li> <li>Creative home learning.</li> <li>Collective Worship.</li> <li>Visits and services at St. Andrew's Church.</li> <li>Quiet places in classrooms.</li> <li>Staff: CPD, individual training / development plans.</li> <li>Staff welfare is monitored.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Eco Days - recycling, improving school environment etc.</li> <li>Workshops: anti-bullying, respect etc.</li> <li>RE curriculum - learning about world religions and cultures.</li> <li>School council - pupil voice.</li> <li>Welcoming visitors to our school and taking on board feedback.</li> <li>Interfaith week activities.</li> <li>Developing our class charters.</li> <li>Harvest Festival food bank collection.</li> <li>Taking part in village events - Village Show, Annual Rounders Match, Scarecrow Festival, Regatta etc.</li> <li>Benefitting from the links with Reading Blue Coat School.</li> <li>Looking after school guinea pigs.</li> <li>Teamwork based activities.</li> <li>Prefects and monitors.</li> <li>Older pupils supporting younger.</li> <li>Celebration Assembly.</li> <li>Play Leaders.</li> <li>Grace Prayer before lunch.</li> <li>School prayer at the end of the day</li> <li>Staff: weekly staff meetings, knowledge sharing, peer assistance, team building INSET days.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>A range of collective worship approaches.</li> <li>Broad and relevant curriculum - RE, Science, History, Geography, PSHCE.</li> <li>Observing Remembrance Day.</li> <li>Celebrating and learning about religious festivals (Christmas, Easter, Diwali, Ramadan etc.).</li> <li>Interfaith week activities.</li> <li>Visiting places of worship (e.g. Maidenhead Synagogue, St Andrew's Church etc.).</li> <li>School Trips (e.g. Imperial War Museum, Winchester Science Centre, etc.).</li> <li>Collective Worship class and whole school capture books.</li> <li>Remembrance Day.</li> <li>Adapted RE curriculum to reflect pupil demographic.</li> <li>Staff: Diocesan support and advice.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Provide opportunities for singing, music, dance, literature, stories and art.</li> <li>Have regular celebration assemblies and class led assemblies.</li> <li>Individual awards: golden flames, superstars, Headteacher awards, postcards home etc.</li> <li>House points for positive contribution to school life.</li> <li>Giving thanks through prayer (e.g. prayer basket).</li> <li>Annual Leavers service.</li> <li>World Book Day activities.</li> <li>School productions.</li> <li>Use of social media to share 'wow' moments.</li> <li>VR Headsets.</li> <li>Termly eco days.</li> <li>Staff: end of term breakfasts.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Y6 prayer journey.</li> <li>Celebrate other faiths and beliefs</li> <li>Spiritual Journals.</li> <li>Values Day.</li> <li>Reflection form / Pupil self report.</li> <li>Worry monsters to help children understand their feelings.</li> <li>Sharing of home learning.</li> <li>RE reflection and TINT boxes.</li> <li>Individual PSHCE journal across the school.</li> <li>Staff: mindfulness / yoga days.</li> </ul>



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The Impact	<ul> <li>Children become more confident, independent, resilient, responsible, self- aware and reflective.</li> <li>Children are able to make better choices.</li> <li>Staff have improved mental health.</li> <li>Excellent attendance for both staff and pupils.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Children have improved awareness of others in the community and are inclusive.</li> <li>Children form better friendships.</li> <li>Children are more generous and forgiving.</li> <li>Children's behaviour improves.</li> <li>Staff feel supported and have an improved work-life balance.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Children have confidence to ask the deep questions.</li> <li>Children have improved knowledge of the world.</li> <li>Children are more independent and willing to take risks.</li> <li>Children are able to take part in a debate and can express their own standpoint whilst being accepting of the opinions of others.</li> <li>Staff are secure in expressing their own beliefs.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Children take care of each other and their environment to a greater degree.</li> <li>There are fewer instances of anxiety within the school community.</li> <li>The school environment improves.</li> <li>Staff feel valued and respected.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Children have improved communication, understanding and empathy.</li> <li>Staff are secure in expressing their own feelings.</li> </ul>
Link to School Values	<ul> <li>Love</li> <li>Courage</li> <li>Respect</li> <li>Aspiration</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Love</li><li>Respect</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Courage</li> <li>Aspiration</li> <li>Curiosity</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Love</li><li>Respect</li><li>Curiosity</li></ul>	<ul><li>Love</li><li>Respect</li></ul>
Curriculum Links	<ul> <li>PSHCE</li> <li>Wellbeing curriculum</li> <li>Religion and World Views</li> <li>Collective Worship</li> <li>Jigsaw PSHCE</li> <li>Early Years - PSED</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>PSHCE</li> <li>Wellbeing curriculum</li> <li>Religion and World Views</li> <li>Collective Worship</li> <li>RE</li> <li>PE</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Overarching questions</li> <li>Science</li> <li>RE</li> <li>History</li> <li>Geography</li> <li>English</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Overarching questions</li> <li>Science</li> <li>RE, History and Geography</li> <li>English literature.</li> <li>PSHCE</li> <li>Wellbeing curriculum</li> <li>Religion and World Views</li> </ul>	• PSHCE
What else we could do	<ul> <li>Redevelop our spirituality area.</li> <li>Provide daily meditation / mindfulness.</li> <li>More workshops on self worth and self esteem.</li> <li>Staff: Peer wellbeing support.</li> <li>SENCO and ELSA training.</li> <li>Standardise use of language such as 'pause points'.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Improve involvement in charity work - ownership on the children, understanding where collections go, why we are doing it and how it helps.</li> <li>Year 5 buddies for Acorn class.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Enquiry based learning.</li> <li>Develop a whole school capture book for collective worship.</li> <li>Make collective worship more relevant to real life.</li> <li>Give pupils the opportunity to ask the 'big questions' to the visiting clergy.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Taking time to notice the small things - a rainbow, first daffodils, etc.</li> <li>Performing Arts Studio.</li> <li>Inter-trust festivals and competitions.</li> <li>The Write Stuff experience lessons.</li> <li>To include a sensory space.</li> <li>Encourage more show and tell.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Individual pupil capture journals for their full time at Sonning.</li> <li>Develop ways to support deeper thinker to allow their spirituality to deepen.</li> <li>Have visits form faith leaders - assemblies.</li> <li>Make more explicit links between religious holidays (e.g. Lent and Ramadan).</li> </ul>



Unlocking the future: "As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another." Excellence - Love of learning - Nurture - Partnership - Innovation - Integrity

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