## **Religious Education Vision**



RE, at St Mary's, explores the big questions about life. Pupils are given opportunities to find out what other people believe and what difference this makes to how they live. This allows pupils to make sense of religion, reflecting on their own ideas and ways of living. They are encouraged to ask questions and also show respect for other people's views, as well as respect that every individual is entitled to form their own opinions. They are able to celebrate diversity in our society and our community whilst developing their own sense of spiritual knowledge and understanding and also develop their own sense of identity and belonging. Pupils are able to link their understanding of the values we use in school to how they behave outside of school now and for their future life.

## **SMSC**

St Mary's believes that SMSC should be embedded across the whole curriculum. Pupils will explore their own beliefs, experiences, values, principles, moral and ethical views, celebrate them and accept those from different countries, religions and cultures. To do this, we recognise and explore SMSC in all subjects and celebrate our diversity within the school community to ensure that children leave St Mary's as caring, thoughtful, respectful members of the community, able to enrich the community they live in.

