DOWN AMPNEY PRIMARY SCHOOL RE TERM 2 UKS2: WHY DO SOME PEOPLE BELIEVE IN GOD AND SOME PEOPLE NOT?

Gloucestershire Agreed Syllabus for RE

Make sense of belief

- Define the terms 'theist', 'atheist' and 'agnostic' and give examples of statements that reflect these beliefs.
- Identify and explain what religious and nonreligious people believe about God, saying where they get their ideas from.
- Give examples of reasons why people do or do not believe in God.

Understand the impact

- Make clear connections between what people believe about God and the impact of this belief on how they live.
- Give evidence and examples to show how Christians sometimes disagree about what God is like (e.g. some differences in interpreting Genesis).

Make connections

- Reflect on and articulate some ways in which believing in God is valuable in the lives of believers, and ways it can be challenging.
- Consider and weigh up different views on theism, agnosticism and atheism, expressing insights of their own about why people believe in God or not.
- ❖ Make connections between belief and behaviour in their own lives, in the light of their learning.

Substantive knowledge

Pupils will know that:

- ❖ For many people, the issues around life's big questions can be explored through their religions and worldviews.
- We can use data to look at trends in what people believe in the World, the UK and locally.
- Generally, people can be classed as theists, atheist, or agnostic.
- Not all Christians agree on every part of their faith.
- People can get their ideas from about God from many sources such as family, friends, places of worship.
- What people believe about the existence of God can make a difference to how they live.

Covering the Pillars of Progression by looking at traditions, artefacts, rituals and concepts.

Vocabulary

Theist: a person who believes in the existence of god **Atheist:** a person who disbelieves the existence of god

Psychology: the study of how people think

Evidence: the available facts about something

Psychologist: a person who studies how the mind works and how people think

Agnostic: a person who believes that nothing can be known about the existence of God

Humanist: a person who seeks natural explanations to answer life's big questions and for events in the world around them

Philosophy: the study of the nature of knowledge and existence

Reason: the power of the mind to think, understand, and form judgements logically

Theologian: a person who studies religion and the existence of god

Christian Values

 Respect – Love and value everyone as God does.

We value everyone's opinions and beliefs, celebrating our differences.

Trust – Trust is the very essence of faith.

When we work together, trusting others, everyone can be enriched and celebrated for their uniqueness.

Courage – Do not be afraid.

British values

- Mutual respect and tolerance for those with different faiths.
- Rule of law all people are equal before the law.
- Democracy everyone has the right to give their own opinion.
- Individual liberty We are free to make choices about our own beliefs and values.

Bible Links

Luke 4: 1 Luke 5: 17-39

Luke 15: 1-7

John 15:9-17

Matthew 19:13–15

Luke 23: 33-34

John 20:19-23

Names and metaphors for God used in the Bible

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We have the courage to keep going and take risks as we learn about the faith of others and our own beliefs.

Belonging, Empowering and Succeeding Together – being the BEST we can be every day!

Prior learning and knowledge required

- Recognise what a 'Gospel' is and give an example of the kinds of stories it contains.
- Offer suggestions about what texts about baptism and Trinity mean
- Give examples of what these texts mean to some Christians today.
- Describe how Christians show their beliefs about God the Trinity in worship in different ways (in baptism and prayer, for example) and in the way they live.
- Make links between some Bible texts studied and the idea of God in Christianity, expressing clearly some ideas of their own about what Christians believe God is like.

Key questions

- Belief in God: what patterns can we see in our local area, our country and our world?
- ❖ What do we mean by agnostic, atheist or theist?
- How can psychology help us understand what people mean when they think about the idea of God?
- What can we learn from theology about the idea of God?
- Why do some people believe that God does not exist?
- ❖ Why do some people believe in God and some people not? Where do I stand?

Further application and connections

- Explain what is meant by the terms 'atheist' and 'agnostic', and give reasons for the range of views that can be covered by these terms (e.g. SBNR, 'nones', Humanists, etc.).
- Explain what sources of authority non-religious people might use and why, to decide how to live.
- Give reasons and examples to explain how and why non religious people put their beliefs into action in different ways (e.g. from indifference through to hostility to religion; from seeking riches to activism).
- Show how Humanist beliefs/principles guide some non religious people in making moral decisions.
- Offer an account of the significance and impact of non-religious beliefs in the changing religious landscape of the UK.

SEN Support

- * Key vocabulary given and explained in every lesson (My turn your turn).
- Help desk for any children requiring adult support.
- * Targeted paired work and groupings which support learning when needed.
- Scaffolded writing frames/examples to support writing so that children can show their understanding of RE.

Deeper thinking

Children can discuss and present their own ideas about the importance of religious and spiritual beliefs.

Pupils can research, explore and explain varied ideas about how and why religious teachings, values and ideas make a difference to people in the UK today.

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