

RE at Bede Burn Primary



Year 1 made Hindu Diwali lamps from clay and then decorated them.

Children learn about the six main religions; Buddhism, Christianity, Hinduism, Judaism, Islam and Sikhism from Reception to Year 6 which we hope will give them a wealth of knowledge as well as fun experiences. Belief in R.E. often generates great discussion in class and children's challenging questions have also led us to explore ideas beyond the main religions including humanism and atheism as well as exploring far reaching subjects such as bereavement, wedding celebrations and our own morals and life choices. As such we have considered how religion and beliefs impacts on individuals and groups both locally and globally.

At Bede Burn Religious Education (R.E.) is seen as a wonderful opportunity to gain an appreciation for our diverse world; its customs, geography and history. R.E. also provides a chance to learn about our local community and the beliefs of different people near us as well as providing the time for individual reflection and spirituality. At Bede Burn we have been lucky enough to benefit from learning from children of differing religious backgrounds, who have shared their experiences and feelings which has greatly enhance our lessons.



Year 2 learnt about the Christian festival of Christmas and had a visit from a parent and new baby to help them think about Jesus' arrival.



Year 2 learnt about the Buddhist festival of Losar. They made lotus flowers; the Buddhist symbol of good fortune and Buddhist flags that have messages of love and kindness on them, that blow around the world in the wind.



Year 3 made prezels that symbolise Christians crossing their arms in prayer - this formed part of our learning on the Christian practice of Lent.



Year 4 made palm crosses as an introduction to the Christian festival of Easter.





Making Ganesh clay murtis, as Hindus can during Lord Ganesh's birthday celebration of Ganesh Chaturthi.

We made a triangular Sikh flag called a Nishan Sahib which has the Khanda symbol on it. You will find them outside most Gurdwaras (holy temples).



We copied parts of the Sikh teaching Mool Mantar, in Gurmukhi script the written language of Punjabi. We also tried to make the Sikh Golden Temple in Amritsar with its ornate decoration, four entrances and surrounding lake.

Learning a Hindu garba and kathak dance.



Learning about other different cultures can be great fun, it's not all about sitting in a classroom. At Bede Burn we love active learning. Year 5 certainly agree!

Shanah Torah (sweet New Year) - Year 6 enjoyed tasting apples dipped in honey whilst learning about the Jewish festival Rosh Hashanah



Year 6 solved riddles, maths puzzles, invisible codes and message jigsaws to find the escape key to our classroom. This was an introduction to a Sikh Guru (Hargobind) who was imprisoned for his beliefs and the festival that celebrates his bravery - Bandi Chhor Divas.