



Nurture and Grow Together through Compassion,
Kindness and Integrity

Stoke Canon C of E Primary School

Spirituality Policy

Spirituality:

The concept of spirituality is notoriously difficult to tie down as we believe it is a very personal experience and can change throughout our lives. Historically, many have believed it to be inextricably linked to religion, but we need to be aware that spirituality can be found in every aspect of our school lives.



Definition of Spirituality:

We feel that:

Spirituality can be defined as relational consciousness: awareness of my relationship with myself, others, the world and beyond (God).

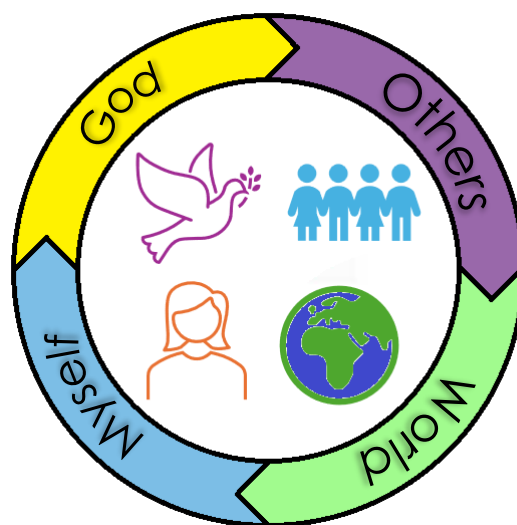
Our four elements of Spirituality consist of:

Relationship with myself

Relationship with others

Relationship with the World

Relationship with the beyond, God and the transcendence



At Stoke Canon C of E Primary School we take each of these areas to mean that they follow our school vision to 'nurture and grow together' and develop our relationships through Compassion, Kindness and Integrity

Relationship with myself

We have a special part inside us that makes us who you are. We have our own feelings, thoughts which make you unique.

Relationship with others

We learn how to be kind, compassionate, forgiving and a good friend.

Relationship with the world

We learn how to respect our world and take responsibility to look after it.

Relationship with the beyond,
transcendent and God

Together we think about things that have
a lasting impact in our lives, we develop
our World Views about the beyond,
transcendent and God.

Aims

The aims for spirituality in our Primary School are:

- To foster the spiritual development of each child, regardless of age, sex, ability or cultural background.
- To foster self-awareness and promote a feeling of self-worth.
- To develop a set of positive set of values, principles and beliefs.
- To develop respect and empathy for other people feelings, values and beliefs.
- To enable the children to value the non-material aspects of life.
- To foster reflection and stillness.
- To encourage imagination, creativity and curiosity
- To develop a sense of awe and wonder at the creation of life and the natural world.
- To appreciate other world views and beliefs
- To respond to Christian stories and understand Christian festivals, rituals and symbols, particularly those from the Anglican tradition.

Spirituality in Collective worship

We regularly plan in opportunities for reflection in our acts of worship and we ask our community to respond to a range of stories, prayers, music, questions, art and objects. We have opportunities for stillness so we can appreciate the awe and wonder the world around us inspires.

**We foster Spirituality throughout the Curriculum at Stoke Canon-
see Curriculum section on website**