

Spirituality at The Blake School

Everyone is welcomed unconditionally into our Christ centred community...

The opening line of our vision represents the wellspring from which spirituality at The Blake flows. All are welcome. Where necessary, changes and adaptations are made to ensure that all can fully access the range of opportunities that school has to offer.

This open welcome, underpinned by the constant reinforcement of the value and dignity of every individual, provides the foundation for every member of our community to experience the spirituality that is all around them and within them.

The rhythm of day-to-day patterns within school provide occasions for children to pause and reflect, to ask complex questions and share ideas. Collective Worship, RE and daily reflections, as well as the myriad of opportunities provided by the wider curriculum, enable children to explore and refine their thinking both corporately and as individuals.

The Christian Values, which underpin and shape our life together, provide a vital framework within which all members of our community make informed decisions about how they should live. Reflecting collectively on how to live as a community according to our Values is a deeply spiritual and transformative experience.

Skilled teaching and an emphasis on the provision of quality pastoral care enable children to experience the celebrations and challenges of their lives in safety, as well as to look courageously outward to the complexities of the world around them.

Time is taken, even in the daily business of the classroom, to pause and celebrate the fleeting joys and personal triumphs as well as to help manage struggles, reflect on challenges and strengthen resolve.

Reflecting the example of Jesus, whose whole life was a spiritual experience, each moment of every day at The Blake allows children opportunities to engage with their spirituality and that of others. The daily experiences of children and adults alike are taken and held with respect in order that all may know afresh each day what it is to experience 'life in all its fullness'.