

Spirituality Progression

Spiritual Learners – Self Awareness

Spiritual learners become increasingly aware of the concept of self- the inner person and the way that this shapes an individual's perception of themselves as a unique human being. Spiritual learners reflect on the relationship that they have with their sense of being a unique person.

Encounter: Learning about life. Providing openings for spiritual exploration through the investigation of identity and personal values.

EYFS	Key Stage 1	Lower Key Stage 2	Upper Key Stage 2
Being special	Say no to bullying	It is good to be me, positive	Going for goals – identifying
Exploring puzzling questions	New beginnings, family, baby	aspects about me	personal strengths and
through role play, small world	Myself – all about me	Understanding and controlling	weaknesses.
and dolls.	I wonder questions	emotions.	Resilience, recovering and learning
Wiggle Worship			from mistakes.
			Creating spiritual pictures and art
			work
			Speak up for self
Reflection: Learning from ige. Onde	erstanding an inner meaning of self a	na aeriag – cruca reasoning and c	ug quesuons
What makes me happy?	Who am I?	What are feelings?	Should you respect yourself over
What do I do in my spare time	What am I worth?	Don't we deserve to be happy?	all other things?
that I like?	What is right and wrong?	What should I do about right and	Where does identity come from?
What things do I value?	How do I decide what is right and	wrong?	Does more mean happier?
	wrong?	What do I deserve in life?	Is my understanding self a selfish
		Who should I look up to?	concept?
		What type of person do I want to	Are the opinions of my friends
		be?	important to me?
		What difference does being loved	Are my beliefs important?
		make?	
		Id belief in something important?	

		What rights do I have?	
Transformation: Learning to live. Re	esponding as a means of expressing	an idea of self, developing a persona	l set of beliefs.
A growing awareness of knowing what I like and what I don't like materially and in the way I want to be treated. Can say what I like and what I am good at.	An evolving awareness of the concept of self as more than purely physical characteristics. A growing realisation that being content with who you are is important for personal happiness. Know how to apologise and to try again. Beginning to recognise mistakes and how to deal with them in a positive way.	The awareness that the growing development of a personal identity is an important aspect of being human. A growing realisation that an emphasis on self alone is not sufficient as a means of living out the self. An evolving sense of the concept of identity as more than purely physical characteristics or our likes and hobbies. Can set goals for my work and behaviour that will help me to progress.	The awareness of the value of reflection to explore deeper responses to thoughts that help shapes the 'inner self'. An understanding that we express our personal values in the way that we approach our relationship with others and the world around us. The ability to express an interpretation of the verbally. Can explain my opinions.
Windows, Doors and Mirrors			
Writing shared prayers Drawing self Exploring "I love" Wiggle Worship	I wonder questions Picture books, props and role play to stimulate discussion and questioning.	The amazing things about being me. Creating pictures of self. Exploring emotions and how to manage them.	Creating spiritual pictures of inner self. Creating pictures, art work, written work of who we turn to when we need support.
Use of text "How are you feeling?" What makes me happy? What do I do in my spare time that I like? What things do I value?	Circle time activities. Who am I? What am I worth? What is right and wrong? How do I decide what is right and wrong? How do we feel about ourselves? Who am I? (links to Creation unit in RE)	What are feelings? Don't we deserve to be happy? What should I do about	Should you respect yourself over all other things? Where does your identity come from? Does more mean being happier? Is my understanding self a selfish concept? Are the opinions of my friends important to me? Are my beliefs important?

		something important? What rights do I have?	
Links to intergenerational friendship task with Beyond Housing at the Community Centre. A growing awareness of knowing what I like and what I don't like both materially and in the way that I want to be treated. Can say what I like and what I am good at.	An evolving awareness of the concept of self as more than purely physical characteristics. A growing realisation that being content with who you are is important for personal happiness. Know how to apologise and to try again. Beginning to recognise mistakes and how to deal with them in a positive way.	Identification of Growth Mindset, where children are in charge of their own learning. The awareness that the growing development of a personal identity is an important aspect of being human. A growing realisation that an emphasis on self alone is not sufficient as a means of living out the self. An evolving sense of the concept of identity as more than purely physical characteristics or our likes and hobbies. Can set goals for my work and behaviour that will help me to progress.	The awareness of the value of reflection to explore deeper responses to thoughts that help shapes the 'inner self'. An understanding that we express our personal values in the way that we approach our relationship with others and the world around us. The ability to express an interpretation of this verbally. Can explain my opinions. Discussing our religious beliefs and how we believe the world was made.

Spiritual Learners – Others

	Spiritual learners become increasingly aware of the concept of others – a growing empathy, concern and compassion for how to treat others. Spiritual learners reflect on how their values and principles affect their relationships with others.				
EYFS	Key Stage 1	Lower Key Stage 2	Upper Key Stage 2		
Encounter: Learning about life. Prov	riding openings for spiritual growth.	Recognising the values and worth of	others.		
Being special Wiggle Worship Reflection: Learning from life. Unde	Making friends and falling out Building successful relationships Healthy relationships Belonging I wonder questions	Developing positive behaviour towards others Changes- how influence can be both positive and negative. The importance of decisions making. Engaging with parables and teachings of Jesus, how does he treat others. Engaging with stories from other cultures and faiths. of others – a search for meaning, crives			
What makes a good friend? Why are my friends important to me? What do I like in my friends? How do my friends make me feel? How do I look after my friends and family?	Why do people bully others? How do I treat people? Do I treat other people in the same way? Should I treat everyone in the same way? Should I treat my friends differently to others? Why do we fight and argue? Should we always be loyal to our friends? How can I show compassion?	Why do people ignore others when they need help? Is being a good friend easy? Why do we sometimes hurt the feelings of our friends? How sincerely can I care for those who may be in need bit I have never met? Why should I care for them? Will we ever live in a world without fighting? What responsibilities do I have for others?	Is it better to please oneself first; or others? Why do we have to suffer? What is pain? Is there such a thing as a bad person? What is worth striving for? Why isn't life always fair? Is being fair always the right thing to do? Does more mean being happier?		

Transformation: Learning to live life through words, art or actions.	e. Responding as a means of expressi	ng an idea of relationship with other	s, expressing innermost thoughts
Understanding that other people have their own views and opinions and may value different things to you.	A growing appreciation that the views and opinions of others should be listened to with respect whether those views are similar to your own or different.	Acknowledgement and respect for the rights of others to have their own deep thoughts that shape their inner self. A developing ability to enter into discussions with others about their values and opinions.	A growing empathy with the values of others and developing an understanding of the need to appreciate them to build meaningful relationships. A growing ability to express how understanding the value of others is an important part of building meaningful relationships.
Windows, Doors and Mirrors			
Prayer dots / Talking tins allow children to record their own thank you and prayer messages.	Engaging in practical prayer activities, use of arts and crafts. Explore different reasons for prayer.	Engaging with parables and the teachings of Jesus, e.g. Good Samaritan, Sermon on the mount Reflection on stories, such as "If the world were a village"	Exploring the role of Christian reformers in combating slavery in the past (and today)
Children draw pictures and discuss answers to the question "What makes a good friend?" What makes a good friend? Why are my friends important to me? What do I like in my friends? How my friends make me feel? How do I look after my friends and family?	Why do people bully others? How do I treat others? Do I treat other people in the same way? Should I treat everyone in the same way? Should I treat my friends differently to others? Why do we fight and argue? Should we always be loyal to our friends? How can I demonstrate compassion?	Why do people ignore others when they need help? Is being a good friend easy? Why do we sometimes hurt the feelings of our friends? How sincerely can I care for those who may be in need but I have never met? Why should we care for them? Will we ever live in a world without fighting? What	Exploring the question: Can charities change the world? Is it better to please oneself first: or others? Why do people have to suffer? What is pain? Is there such a thing as a bad person? What is worth striving for? Why isn't life always fair? Is being fair always the right thing to do? Does more mean being happier?

		responsibilities do I have for others?	
Links to intergenerational friendship task with church and local community. Understanding that other people have their own views and opinions and may value different things to you.	A growing appreciation that the views and opinions of others should be listened to with respect whether those views are similar to your own or different. Children are taught about turn taking.	Writing letters to a loved one in Man on the Moon. Acknowledgement and respect for the rights of others to have their own deep thoughts that shape their inner self. A developing ability to enter into discussions with others about their values and opinions.	A growing empathy with the values of others and developing an understanding of the need to appreciate them to build meaningful relationships. A growing ability to express how understanding the value of others is an important part of building meaningful relationships. Using are to capture the effects of unfairness in the world.

Spiritual Learners – world and beauty

Spiritual learners become increasingly aware of the concept of a physical and creative world – a growing relationship with beauty through the ability to respond emotionally to experiences of the wonder of the natural world and the results of human creativity. Spiritual learners explore their understanding beauty and the affect this has on their perception of and relationship with the world.

Encounter: Learning about life. Providing openings for spiritual growth, challenging experiences of beauty.

EYFS	Key Stage 1	Lower Key Stage 2	Upper Key Stage 2
Art Music Science What makes a place special? Places of worship	Art Music Science Geography Have people spoiled a god earth? Engagement with creation stories from Christian and other traditions.	Art Music Science Geography Exploring diversity within the created world environments.	Art Music Science Geography How do we make God's world ugly? What can we do? Explore through stories like The Man Who Planted Trees by Jean Giono Plan and design a spiritual garden for the school
Reflection: Learning from life. Reflec	ting on experience of beauty – a sea	rch for meaning, critical reasoning a	nd big questions.
What types of weather do you like the most and why? What is your favourite colour and why? What sounds do you like to listen to? What makes you afraid? What is your favourite season/ time of day	Do different colours have different moods? What gives them these moods? What is the most beautiful thing in the world? Why should I care about animals and plants? How/why does the weather affect our mood?	How do we know we've found all the colours in the world? What season do you feel most reflects your personality? What is the difference between hearing and listening? Should we try to tame nature? What does it mean that beauty is in the eye of the beholder? What would it be like without seasons?	What is a perfect world? Why is there ugliness in the world? Can you love something that is ugly? Why do you like certain types of music? What response do you get when you look at a piece of art? Is beauty something that you can learn or do you just have to feel it?

			What is the point of being creative?
Transformation: Learning to live life through words, art or actions. Being		ing an idea of the meaning of beauty	. Expressing innermost thoughts
Have an instant response to something wonderful/ exciting and awesome happening. Evident in expression and simple phrases. Respond to sensory feelings and be able to show it.	Give a verbal response that explains a reaction to something wonderful/ exciting or awesome. Be seen to respond to a stimulus and begin to explain in simple terms verbally or through body language.	Be able to understand and give meaning to something wonderful/ exciting or awesome. Be able to verbalise their sensory responses and begin to explore their reactions to stimuli, A growing confidence to explore concepts orally.	Be able to explain/ give an emotional response to stimuli and begin to articulate this from a personal perspective. Be able to display shades of meaning when verbalising sensory responses and understand and interpret their reaction. A developing appreciation that some things don't have answers.
Windows, Doors and Mirrors			
Opportunities to observe natural changes during the year, e.g. decomposing pumpkins. Collect and make a creation table of natural objects found outside.	Engagement with creation stories from Christian and other traditions RE units of work	Exploring diversity within the created world environments	How have we made Gods world ugly? What can we do? Explore through stories like the man who planted trees by Jean Giono Plan and design spiritual spaces.
Actively encourage play in all weathers (e.g. snow) What types of weather do you like the most and why? What is your favourite colour and why? What sounds do you like to listen to? What makes you afraid? What is your favourite time of the day? Season? Etc.	Do different colours have different moods? What gives them these moods? What is the most beautiful thing in the world? Why should I care about animals and plants? How/why does the weather affect our mood?	How do we know we've found all the colours in the world? What season do you feel most reflects your personality? What is the difference between listening and hearing? Should we try to tame nature? What does it mean that the beauty is in the eye of the beholder? What would it be like without seasons?	What is a perfect world? Why is there ugliness in the world? Can you love something that is ugly? Why do you like certain types of music? What response do you get when you look at a piece of art? Is beauty something that you can learn, or do you just have to feel it? What is the point in being creative?

Links to harvest and apple	Give a verbal response	Through our chocolate	Be able to explain/ give an
tree planted on school site.	that explains a reaction to	topic, identify the beauty	emotional response to
Planting new trees on	something wonderful/	and significance of cocoa	stimuli and begin to
school grounds. Have an instant	exciting or awesome.	beans. Be able to understand and	articulate this from a personal
response to something wonderful/	Be seen to respond to a stimulus	give meaning to something	perspective.
exciting and awesome happening.	and begin to explain in simple	wonderful/ exciting or awesome.	Be able to display shades of
Evident in expression and simple	terms verbally or through body		meaning when verbalising
phrases.	language (drama activities,	Be able to verbalise their sensory	sensory responses and understand
	including school production).	responses and begin to explore	and interpret their reaction. A
Respond to sensory feelings and	5 1 1	their reactions to stimuli. A	developing appreciation that some
be able to show it.		growing confidence to explore	things don't have answers.
		concepts orally.	, j

Spiritual Learners – beyond

things. EYFS	Key Stage 1	Lower Key Stage 2	Upper Key Stage 2
Encounter: Learning about life. F	Providing openings for spiritual growth	A growing appreciation of the intang	gible- truth, love
Music	Beliefs	Sciences-life processes	Easter
Art	Engaging in I wonder questions	Exploring children's stories that	Beliefs and questions
Drama	Visiting local places of worship	deal with death.	Journey of life and death. What
Becoming aware of worship through collective worship in		Symbolism in The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe.	difference does belief in life after death make?
school. Wiggle worship			
Use of prayer/ reflection spaces			
Reflection: Learning from ige. Re	flecting on the beyond – a search for n		
	Where is God?	What is the purpose of earth?	3
Why do we have rainbows?	What might heaven look like?	Is God alive now?	different being?
Why do we have rainbows? How big is the sky?	What might heaven look like? Is there such thing as an angel?	Is God alive now? Why is there illness?	Is there life after death?
Why do we have rainbows? How big is the sky? Why are people different?	What might heaven look like? Is there such thing as an angel? If you can't see something, is it	Is God alive now? Why is there illness? Why do destructive things, like	different being? Is there life after death? Where do our spirits go when w
Why do we have rainbows? How big is the sky? Why are people different?	What might heaven look like? Is there such thing as an angel? If you can't see something, is it real?	Is God alive now? Why is there illness? Why do destructive things, like earthquakes, have to happen?	different being? Is there life after death? Where do our spirits go when w are dead?
Why do we have rainbows? How big is the sky? Why are people different?	What might heaven look like? Is there such thing as an angel? If you can't see something, is it real? What is true happiness?	Is God alive now? Why is there illness? Why do destructive things, like earthquakes, have to happen? Which is stronger – love or hate?	different being? Is there life after death? Where do our spirits go when we are dead? Do we have a soul? If so, what
Why do we have rainbows? How big is the sky? Why are people different?	What might heaven look like? Is there such thing as an angel? If you can't see something, is it real? What is true happiness? When have you experienced	Is God alive now? Why is there illness? Why do destructive things, like earthquakes, have to happen? Which is stronger – love or hate? Is it good that scientists can't	different being? Is there life after death? Where do our spirits go when w are dead? Do we have a soul? If so, what happens to it after death?
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Why do we have rainbows? How big is the sky? Why are people different?	What might heaven look like? Is there such thing as an angel? If you can't see something, is it real? What is true happiness? When have you experienced	Is God alive now? Why is there illness? Why do destructive things, like earthquakes, have to happen? Which is stronger – love or hate? Is it good that scientists can't explain everything? Why are there religions?	different being? Is there life after death? Where do our spirits go when w are dead? Do we have a soul? If so, what happens to it after death? Why do we love? What lasts forever?
Why do we have rainbows? How big is the sky? Why are people different?	What might heaven look like? Is there such thing as an angel? If you can't see something, is it real? What is true happiness? When have you experienced	Is God alive now? Why is there illness? Why do destructive things, like earthquakes, have to happen? Which is stronger – love or hate? Is it good that scientists can't explain everything?	different being? Is there life after death? Where do our spirits go when w are dead? Do we have a soul? If so, what happens to it after death? Why do we love?
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What are the starts for? Why do we have rainbows? How big is the sky? Why are people different? What does God look like?	What might heaven look like? Is there such thing as an angel? If you can't see something, is it real? What is true happiness? When have you experienced	Is God alive now? Why is there illness? Why do destructive things, like earthquakes, have to happen? Which is stronger – love or hate? Is it good that scientists can't explain everything? Why are there religions?	different being? Is there life after death? Where do our spirits go when w are dead? Do we have a soul? If so, what happens to it after death? Why do we love? What lasts forever? What is unknowable? What is there to discover?

Have the confidence to ask questions that have no answers.	Have a sense of enjoyment in devising and discussing questions that have no answer. Use imagination to interpret responses to big questions.	Understand what big questions are. Be able to explain imaginative responses to questions of meaning.	Can generate big questions. Begin to express through a personal vocabulary response to questions of meaning. Begin to be able to use critical reasoning in responding to a big question.
Windows, Doors and Mirrors			
Becoming aware of worship through collective worship in school	Visiting local Churches, exploring the sense of worship in Church – the touch, colour, smell, sound and stillness	Life processes in science Exploring symbolism Exploring stories with life events Visiting and comparing places of worship	Creating spiritual pictures to express God. Reflecting on life rituals
What are the stars for? Why do we have rainbows? How big is the sky? What is the smallest thing there is? Why are people different? What does God look like?	Where is God? What might heaven be like? Is there such a thing as an angel? If you can't see something, is it real? What is true happiness? When have you experience moments of awe and wonder? Planned lessons in KS1 RE units.	What is the purpose of the earth? Is God alive now? Why is there illness? Why do destructive things, like earthquakes, have to happen? Which is stronger – love or hate? Is it good that scientists can't explain everything? Why are there religions? What is beyond the universe?	Do we come back after death as a different being? Is there life after death? Why do we love? Does love last forever? What lasts forever? What is unknowable? What else is there to discover? How do we know what we don't know?
Have the confidence to ask questions that have no answers.	Have a sense of enjoyment in devising and discussing questions that have no answer. Use imagination to interpret responses to big questions.	Understand what big questions are. Be able to explain imaginative responses to questions of meaning.	Can generate big questions. Begin to express through a personal vocabulary response to questions of meaning. Begin to be able to use critical

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