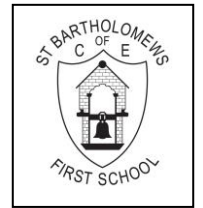


# St. Bartholomew's CE First School

## Our Spirituality Statement

*'Roots to Grow and Wings to Fly'*



As a proud Church school, we are rooted in love. At St Bartholomew's Spirituality is defined as a personal experience that enables us to wonder at, reflect on and have deeper connections with others and the world. Overall, recognising and connecting with something that is bigger than us. As spiritual learners we are looking through doors, windows and mirrors which awaken us to the energy of life and leaves our body and soul in awe and wonder.

**This statement was created collaboratively in February 2020 and revisited on Inset in September 2020.**

<p><b>A spiritual learner at St. Bartholomew's is:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Sparkly eyed</li> <li>- Reflective</li> <li>- Thinks beyond themselves</li> <li>- Has a sense of enjoyment and fasciation in learning about themselves, others and the world around them.</li> <li>- Kind hearted and broad minded</li> <li>- They wonder about life's wows and ow's (things that are amazing and things that are challenging)</li> <li>- Resilient</li> <li>- Imaginative and creative in their learning</li> <li>- Curious and explores life's big questions and considers possible answers.</li> <li>- Respectful of others spiritual moments</li> </ul>	<p><b>Spiritual learners at St. Bartholomew's will:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Develop a spiritual self in their most beautiful and powerful form</li> </ul>	<p><b>As a school we will facilitate spirituality for all by:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Singing</li> <li>- Structured mindfulness</li> <li>- Providing regular experiences in the natural world</li> <li>- Collective worship</li> <li>- Weekly awe and wonder collective worship</li> <li>- Providing openings for spiritual development:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Windows to become aware</li> <li>- Mirrors to reflect</li> <li>- Doors to respond to</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Through the whole curriculum</li> <li>- Providing a responsive curriculum that meets the needs for every individual in our school family</li> <li>- A broad, balanced, enriched curriculum</li> <li>- Time is given for planned and spontaneous spiritual moments</li> <li>- ELSA / Nurture</li> </ul>
<p><b>If this takes place we will see:</b>          Children flourishing as respectful and compassionate citizens who seek to positively contribute to our local community and the world beyond. Our children will actively demonstrate our Christian values which are rooted in love. These are; hope, aspiration, respect, trust, forgiveness, compassion and courage. They will have 'Roots to Grow and Wings to Fly'.</p>		