

# **Hanham Woods Academy PRE Curriculum Statement**

## **Aspire**

We raise the aspirations and ambition of our students by:

- Enabling students to answer any question by developing their skills in questioning, empathy, critical thinking, debating and evaluation.
- Preparing students to question what they hear, read or see by evaluating different interpretations and world views.
- Ensuring that students have the knowledge of world religions and the curiosity required to help them function more effectively as citizens in our modern world.
- Working as a department to build high quality shared resources and to continually improve our own knowledge of the Religious Studies Curriculum and relevant pedagogies so that every class is taught effectively.

## **Believe**

Our students develop confidence and resilience through:

- Tackling and solving the big religious, moral and ethical questions which explain the world they live in today.
- Experiencing success and progress through assessments of knowledge, understanding and skills developed through a broad and balanced curriculum tested with end of topic tests, skills tests and extended assessments.
- Giving students time for reteach from tests so that students' understanding improves and they can articulate what they need to do to improve further.
- Giving students powerful knowledge to make informed choices, as active citizens, in their future lives.

## **Inspire**

We create awe and wonder in and out of the classroom by:

- Capturing students' attention and imagination both through the study of a range of world religions, both familiar and less familiar and through the exploration and discussion of wide range of religious, philosophical and ethical questions which are relevant to our world today.
- Exploring controversies and debates and challenging stereotypes and received wisdom.

## **Achieve**

We help students achieve highly at KS3, KS4 and beyond by:

- Ensuring students can apply their knowledge and skills learn in PRE lessons to their future jobs and experiences. We live in an evolving, growing multi-faith society. PRE helps us to better understand ourselves and others, and the stories and traditions that have shaped our world today.
- Ensuring sufficient rigour and depth of learning is achieved as opposed to superficial or surface level learning.
- Ensuring our students are able to take PRE at A-level or at University.

**Aspire, Believe, Inspire, Achieve**