



## **Pierrepoint Gamston Primary School** **Curriculum Statement**

We place our Christian Foundation at the core of school life. At the heart of the foundation is the truth that we are all created in the image of God and loved by him. We aim to serve our community by providing an education of the highest quality within the context of Christian belief and practice. At PGPS we encourage all stakeholders to understand the meaning and significance of faith. We strive to promote Christian values in everything that we do. “The unswerving Christian vision and dedication of the leadership and management team of this school, ensures its Christian character shines through all school Life” (SIAMS).

We teach the National Curriculum and the Early Years Framework. Maths and English teaching is central to everything else we do. We have developed and embedded a system that ensures full coverage of all subjects, with a celebration planned for each area at least every other year, to inspire, deepen and enthuse learning. Subject policies/curriculum maps ensure a progression of skills and knowledge appropriate to the age and learning stage of all children. RE is taught on a weekly basis and follows the Understanding Christianity programme where relevant, as well as visiting other religions’ places of worship develop appreciation and respect. “The high quality of RE, contributes significantly to the pupil’s spiritual development.” (SIAMS). PSHE is taught on a weekly basis and follows the Jigsaw programme of study. Dedicated weeks ensure key areas such as anti-bullying, e-safety and British Values are a high profile in the school.

At Pierrepoint Gamston Primary School, we believe that every child should have the opportunity to develop personal and leadership skills that will equip them for the next stage of their education, as well as their adult lives. From a very young age, children understand and appreciate that leadership is about treating others with respect and empowering others to take risks and to fulfil their potential. Numerous opportunities are provided by the school: Junior Road Safety Officer, House Captain, Archbishop of York Young Leaders, School Bank Managers, Faith and Values leaders, Pupil Parliament, roles within class, fundraising, sport captains etc.

All children should be encouraged to aim high, developing their own unique God-given gifts and potential to the best of their ability, whilst celebrating the gifts of others, by aiming high and caring for all.