



Subject: RE

Year group: Year 6

Term: Autumn 1

Unit name: 2b.2 Creation and Science conflicting or complementary? (core)

Big Ideas

The book of Genesis can reveal the nature of God through creation.

Science, the universe and it's origins can support each other or be controversial.

Discoveries through science can create awe and wonder about God creator or conflict.

Spirituality

The spiritual mind must deeply understand the world.

Prior learning

Christians believe God is omnipotent, omniscient and eternal, and that this means God is worth worshipping.

Christians believe God is both holy and loving, and Christians have to balance ideas of God being angered by sin and injustice (see Fall) but also loving, forgiving, and full of grace.

Christians do not all agree about what God is like, but try to follow his path, as they see it in the Bible or through Church teaching.

Christians believe getting to know God is like getting to know a person rather than learning information.

Knowledge expectations

There is much debate and some controversy around the relationship between the accounts of creation in Genesis and contemporary scientific accounts.

These debates and controversies relate to the purpose and interpretation of the texts. For example, does reading Genesis as a poetic account conflict with scientific accounts?

There are many scientists throughout history and now who are Christians.

The discoveries of science make Christians wonder even more about the power and majesty of the Creator.

Key vocabulary

Christians

God

Creation

Genesis

Belief

Creator

Faith

Scientific

Power

Majesty

Creator

Human nature

Conflict

Universe

Origins

Key Aspects covered

In this unit of RE work children will know that:

- What Creation from Genesis 1 says about God and human nature.
- The Genesis account reflects a common view that religious accounts of the universe's origins are in conflict with scientific accounts.
- Science addresses *how* questions about the universe, it's origins and mechanisms, whereas religion, in this case, Christian belief in a creator addresses *why* questions.