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Dear Parent/Carers

Religious Education Syllabus

I am writing to inform you about the changes to the way that West Borough will be teaching Religious Education (RE). This term will see us launch a new scheme of learning which intends to provide children with an enquiry based approach. The aim of this scheme is to allow children to explore big questions about life, to find out what people believe and what difference this makes to how they live, so that the children can make sense of religion and reflect on their own ideas and ways of living.

Following this change, we have updated our RE Long Term Plan. This is available to view on our <u>website</u>.

In addition to this change, we will be launching the '23 Acts of Kindness'; this is a generosity challenge, which invites children to participate in Lent differently. This term we will be encouraging children to give something back rather than give something up. As of Monday 26th February, each class will be provided with a challenge for the day; each challenge will encourage kindness and will make a clear link to the British Values.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you that RE is a compulsory subject for each key stage and is a necessary part of a broad and balanced curriculum.

Thank you for your continued support and if you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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Mrs E Walker RE Subject Leader