



# Report for year 2018-19

REfresh is a programme that offers the teaching of Christianity, as part of the RE syllabus, and consists of a bank of 170 creative and memorable lessons. CRiBS has been delivering RE lessons for over 25 years and the team teach in primary schools across Bexley Borough and beyond.

## Quality, Outputs, outcomes, impact.

- 17 primary schools
- 305 topics/units taught (most for 5 lessons each)
- 209 different classes taught
- Approximately 6,200 children reached
- 94% of children said they enjoyed their lessons
- 90% of children said the lessons helped them know more about the topic
- 84% of children said the lessons helped them think about how they live their own lives
- 94% of teachers evaluated the lessons in the highest ratings across a range of quality criteria

*(Data collated in August 2019 using feedback received in the period September 2018 to July 2019)*

## Sample of Teacher Quotes:

- *'always deliver sessions with great enthusiasm and get the children involved' (YrN teacher)*
- *'excellent resources, behaviour management systems, expectations and questions' (YrR teacher)*
- *'children already have quite extensive knowledge of Christianity but the sessions challenged them in a new way' (Yr2 teacher, church school)*
- *'the aim of each lesson and the message from each story were very clear and made relevant to children's experiences' (Yr2 teacher)*
- *'very professional and explained things in a child-friendly way to help understanding' (Yr4 teacher)*
- *'created a very calm and motivated learning environment' (Yr5 teacher)*
- *'children love having CRiBS and are always engaged in the well-planned lessons' (Yr5 teacher)*
- *'great resources and variety of activities' (Yr6 teacher)*

## Sample of Pupil Quotes:

- *'I love CRiBS lessons because they teach us in a fun, creative way and make us think we are valued' (Yr3 pupil)*
- *'I liked learning about 'peace' because it helps me learn to love, forgive and be happy' (Yr5 pupil)*
- *'The activities were fun and the lessons helped increase my confidence in life' (Yr5 pupil)*
- *'I like how CRiBS helps me to learn – every lesson is interesting and has different methods to learn' (Yr6 pupil)*
- *'I thoroughly enjoyed CRiBS and learnt a lot. It felt good talking about my feelings without being judged' (Yr6 pupil)*

## Conclusion

CRiBS is flexible to the needs of schools and responds to the changing environment in which it is working. As such, REfresh is being delivered in an increasing number of schools outside of the Bexley RE Syllabus and outside of Bexley Borough. The REfresh team provides a package of teaching days across a school year but is also able to offer sample lessons, bespoke schedules of lessons, and 'values' lessons and workshops. In recent years the team has also delivered extended coverage of the Christianity syllabus or PPA cover in some schools, which enables stronger relationships with staff and children.