

Religious Studies



We have visited three very different places of worship over the year, and learned much from what we saw and experienced.

Year 5 had been studying Thomas Becket and so a joint trip to Canterbury Cathedral with the history department was in order. The spot where he was murdered made quite an impression on us all as did many other aspects of the cathedral, including the original Medieval stained glass windows, the awe-inspiring nave, the stone steps worn by centuries of pilgrims' knees and the shadowy figure of a monk on a pillar in the crypt! We learned much, and marvelled greatly.

A world apart but equally awe-inspiring was the Shri Swaminarayan Mandir in London. Year 6 had been studying Hinduism, and all they had learned came to life in that visit, when we sat in on a service in the magnificent white marble and limestone temple and witnessed Hindu worship first hand.

It was during another joint venture with the history department that the Year 7 witnessed the splendours of St Paul's Cathedral, from the depths of the crypt to the heights of the Whispering Gallery and then beyond to the outside of the dome, where all fears of vertigo evaporated at the sight of London spread out below.

Year 8 put a great deal of hard work towards their CE and scholarship exams over the past two years and most were delighted that all their efforts resulted in such superb grades!



The Children's Chapel in February



Joint Canterbury trip with the History Department