**Go Crafty!** This year the 2024 RE & Art competition is a little different with a spotlight on creativity. Entries are invited which reflect **either** work on a creation theme **or** a piece of artwork which is surprising and different by using unusual materials or by exploring a topic, theme or idea in an unusual way. We hope this will provide an exciting opportunity for pupils to link their insights in RE with art to produce creative work.

**HOW:** Entries could include work on any of the major world faiths or worldviews and link with any of the RE units taught in your school. Alternatively, it could also link with the diocesan understanding of spirituality, reflecting those ‘golden glue’ moments when the ‘ows’, ‘wows’ and ‘nows’ of life crack through everyday normality. There would also be the possibility of entries reflecting an individual pupil’s experience. This may be part of the ‘making connections’ stream of an RE unit or may be done in another part of the school timetable, for example following collective worship or linked to prayer spaces events.

This year, we continue to make things as simple as possible by only receiving entries sent **electronically**. Any medium or any sized work can be produced but it will need to be photographed or scanned and saved into a word document. Each entry also needs be accompanied by a **BRIEF** explanation from the child, explaining what they have created and how it links to their RE learning and understanding.

As we receive hundreds of entries each year, we would be grateful if you could save the child’s image and brief description of their work together in the **same Word document** and clearly link the description with the image. We would also be grateful if you could limit school entries to a maximum of three entries per class.

**WHO:** Entries are welcomed from any pupil, from any Gloucestershire/ South Gloucestershire school and can be created at home. The entrants first name, year group and school must be included.

**WHEN:** The art needs to be received by Debbie Helme at education@glosdioc.org.uk by **24 May 2024** and the winners will be published in the final summer edition of the DEN.