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Also **see** http://www.thegrid.org.uk/learning/re/publications/

This RE Curriculum also makes reference to a document called <u>Understanding Christianity</u> (UC) resource see: <u>www.understandingchristianity.org.uk</u>

Teacher are also recommended to refer to Religion for Today and Tomorrow pages 16 - 29 (on staff drive)

(*PLEASE NOTE: Extension opportunities for **deeper understanding** are shared between year groups: Nursery/Reception, Year 1/Year 2, Year 3/Year 4 and finally Year 5/Year 6 and teachers must select appropriately from these at each stage.)





<u>EYFS</u>

NURSERY:				
AUTUMN TERM				
Previous Learning	Core Learning Intentions	Extension Opportunities		
To be reinforced	Age Related	Next steps		
	Beliefs and Practises:Celebrating joyous occasions, harvestHow and why do we prepare for and celebrate a joyous occasion?How do we know that it's harvest time.Talk about, prepare and participate in tasting foods for celebrations.Why do Christians perform nativity plays at Christmas (UC Incarnation F.2)	 How do we know that it is Harvest time? What are the similarities and differences between different people's joyous occasions? Who is God? What is the best gift we can give? 		
	Symbols and Actions:Exploring artefacts, dress and foodTalk about lifestyle, religious and cultural places and practices, dress foodand music.Explore some religious artefacts through the senses showing respect forbeliefs, for example, an advent wreath.	 Why light a candle? Why give/receive eggs at Easter? Why are some local buildings holy and others not? 		
	Sources of Wisdom: Celebrating Christmas Hear religious stories Share the Christmas story and for example, Puddles and the Christmas Play by Gill Vaisey Using puppets, small world or Lego figures, retell stories from holy books.	 I wonder what happened before the story started? I wonder what happened after the story ended? I wonder what the story is really about? 		



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NURSERY:		
SPRING TERM		
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	Identity and belongingCelebrating belonging to a family and communityDevelop curiosity and begin to ask questions about their own and otherpeople's home and community life.How do people, including those from religious groups, celebratebelonging? For example, choose from Muslim Aqiqah, a Hindu, Humanistor Sikh naming ceremony.How do Hindu brothers and sisters show protection for one another atRaksha Bandhan?	 What makes every single person unique and precious? What promises do people make to one another?
	Prayer, Worship and reflection:Exploring places of prayer, worship and reflectionExperience through the senses, candles, incense, flowers, water foods and religious artefacts used in sacred spaces. (CHECK FOR ALLERGIES)Where do you go to be silent/still/pray/reflect?Create a reflective area, with the children inside or out where they can participate in periods of stillness and reflection.Listen to sounds, music, voices and instruments and listen in silence to their own thoughts.	 Why is it important to experience times of quiet? Why do some people pray? What do religious leaders do?
Children will have heard the story of Christmas about the birth of Jesus in the Autumn term.	Sources of Wisdom: Exploring the Easter Story Read an account of the Easter events from a children's Bible.	 I wonder what happened before the story started? I wonder what happened after the story ended? I wonder what the story is really about?





NURSERY:		
SUMMER TERM		
Previous Learning	Core Learning Intentions	Extension Opportunities
To be reinforced	Age Related	Next steps
	 Human responsibility and values : How do we show care and concern for each other? Who cares for us and who do we care for? Explore how and why religious people in the local community help other's through their work. Listen to stories about religious characters including leaders helping others. For example, Puddles lends a Paw by Gill Vaisey 	 What are the good and bad ways of treating the world? What are the kind and unkind ways of treating each other?
	Justice and fairness How can we help others when they need it? Share stories that encourage the children to think about what type of person Prophet Muhammad was through his actions towards the care of animals. For example, the Muslim story of The Crying Camel, The Tiny Ants and Seven New Kittens.	 What is not fair and why? How do we know what is right/wrong/fair?
	What makes the world so wonderful?Share a range of stories from different faith traditions about the beginning of the world.Share works of art and listen to religious stories, poetry and music which express awe and wonder at the natural world.Christians believe God is the creator of the universe. Share a story to illustrate this.Why is the word God so important to Christians? (UC God F.1) Explore themes from the Spirited Arts competition. (www.natre.org.uk)	 What makes the world so wonderful? Who is God? Where is God? If you could ask God one question, what would it be?
RECEPTION:		





AUTUMN TERM		
Previous Learning	Core Learning Intentions	Extension Opportunities
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Children in Nursery will have explored how and why we prepare for and celebrate joyous occasions. They may have come across some of the religious festivals when they tasted foods.	Beliefs and Practises: Festivals, people and communities How and why do we prepare for and celebrate a joyous occasion? What are the similarities and differences between peoples' joyous times? What are some of these festivals all about? (Choose from for example: Buddhist Hanamatsuri (Buddha's birthday), Hindu Diwali, Sikh Vaisakhi. Jewish Purim or Muslim Eid). What is the best gift we can give? Why do Christians perform nativity plays at Christmas? Digging Deeper. (UC Incarnation F.2)	 How do we know that it is Harvest time? What are the similarities and differences between different people's joyous occasions? Who is God? What is the best gift we can give?
Children will have heard some religious stories.	Sources of Wisdom: Jesus's birthday story How do Christians celebrate the birth of Jesus? What presents did the characters in the nativity story give?	 I wonder what happened before the story started? I wonder what happened after the story ended? I wonder what the story is really about?
Children will have explored religious artefacts.	Symbols and Actions: Exploring places, dress food and music. Which place do you know that is important to you? Why is it important? Which religious symbols can you see in the local place of worship? Explore their meaning. Explore some religious artefacts through the senses showing respect for beliefs. Why light a candle? Using creative media, replicate places of worship and make their own artefacts, for example, talk about and over a period of time, create a Hindu shrine.	 Why light a candle? Why give/receive eggs at Easter? Why are some local buildings holy and others not?





RECEPTION:				
SPRING TERM				
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Children will have discussed how different religious groups celebrate. They may have explored some ceremonies that will have taken place in the family household.	Identity and belonging Exploring wedding ceremonies. Explore what happens at a wedding and what is important about the ceremony. Invite the local vicar to talk about Church weddings and ask about why some people get married in Church. Recall and re-enact a traditional Christian wedding. What promises do people make to one another? Explore similarities between weddings in a variety of cultures and religious traditions.	 What makes every single person unique and precious? What promises do people make to one another? 		
Children in Nursery will have partly covered this in the Summer term when looking at Ultimate questions when they thought about What makes the world so wonderful?	(Share a Wedding Day Wish for Puddles by Gill Vaisey) Sources of Wisdom: What is happening in the natural world this term? Notice and express through art, music poetry and dance the feelings of awe and wonder that come from the natural world. Which natural things appear dead but are really alive? What happens at Easter time to make life new again? How did God make the world and us? Introduce themes from the Spirited Arts competition (www.natre.org.uk) Remembering Jesus at Easter What surprised Jesus' friends in the Easter story? Which symbols are associated with Easter? What do Christians do at Easter to remind them of the story?	 I wonder what happened before the story started? I wonder what happened after the story ended? I wonder what the story is really about? 		
Children will have briefly learnt about the Easter story in Nursery.	Symbols and Actions: Easter Which symbols are associated with Easter? What do Christians do at Easter to remind them of the story?	 Why light a candle? Why give/receive eggs at Easter? Why are some local buildings holy and others not? 		





		Why do Christians put a cross in an Easter Garden? (UC Salvation F.3)	
including Digging Deeper.		including Digging Deeper.	

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Children will have explored this RE strand through their senses in Nursery. They may also have created their own reflective/sacred space.	 Prayer, Worship and reflection: Sacred Spaces, simple prayers and time to reflect Why is it important to experience times of quiet? Share a stilling exercise in which children can experience quiet reflection and silence. Share a short Christian/Hindu/Islamic/Jewish/Sikh prayer and explore its importance for the people who say it. Compose use and think about the words of simple prayers/reflections. Which places are important to the children, people in the community and a religious family? Talk to a visitor about why they go to the local place of worship and find out why it is important to them. Visit a Church to find out some of the features that support people in their prayer, worship or reflection. 	 Why is it important to experience times of quiet? Why do some people pray? What do religious leaders do? 	
Children looked at different ways that they could help others in Nursery, as well as listening to stories about looking after animals.	Justice and fairness and Human responsibility and values: Treating the world fairly- taking responsibility How do we know what is right/wrong/fair? Which Buddhist, Hindu or Sikh stories help us to understand what is right/wrong/fair? For example, the Buddhist Jakta tales, The Lion and the Jackal, the Hindu Panchantra stories about animals and the Sikh story The Water Carrier by Bhai Kanya. Listen to stories about religious characters including leaders helping others.	 What is not fair and why? How do we know what is right/wrong/fair? What are the good and bad ways of treating the world? What are the kind and unkind ways of treating each other? 	





	e.g. Hanuman helping Rama and Sita in the Diwali story. What are the good and bad ways of treating the world? What are the kind and unkind ways of treating each other?	
Nursery children will have explored the question What makes the world so wonderful and will have listened to a creation story.	Ultimate Questions God and other big questions How did God make the world? What makes the word so wonderful? Who is God? Where is God? Christians believe God made a wonderful world. How should they look after it? (Why is the word God so important to Christians (UC God f.1) including Digging Deeper Further explore themes from the spirited Arts competition (www.natre.org.uk)	 What makes the world so wonderful? Who is God? Where is God? If you could ask God one question, what would it be?

KEY STAGE 1 (Year 1 & 2)

Year 1:			
AUTUMN TERM			
Previous Learning	Core Learning Intentions	Extension Opportunities	
To be reinforced	Age Related	Next steps	
Remind the children about the different fruits and vegetables that grow and how these are harvested by the farmers in Autumn. Children in Early Years will have been involved in charity work during the year in school. This can be reinforced.	Beliefs and Practises:Being thankful and Harvest traditionsPupils find out how people with different religious and world viewscelebrate the fruitfulness of the earth (harvest traditions) How do religiouscommunities express thankfulness for the world e.g. sukkot.Justice and fairnessExplore a Christian (or other faith) charity that focuses on justice andfairness)What should we be thankful for?	 If we are made in the image of God, why are we all so different? Why do some people thank and praise God? Should we be responsible for looking after others and our world and why does it matter? What would you give up for someone else? 	





Conversations about being 'fair' might have come up in their child initiated play with their class peers.	 What makes a friend? How does the Jewish faith celebrate Harvest? How can we make a difference for others? What is fair? 	 what would you give up for someone else? How do we know how and when to be good? Is it only religions that help us to learn about what is right and wrong? What does it mean to 'stand up for good'?
Teachers will mention different festivals of light that come up during the term (Hanukkah, Diwali and Eid) with the class but focus on the story of Christmas, looking at the characters and the importance of 'Jesus' as a special baby in their nativity play.	Symbols and Actions: Festivals of light Explore symbols of 2 different religious traditions, looking for similarities such as light (e.g. Hanukkah and Christmas or Diwali and Christmas.) Pupils compare their own feelings when in light or darkness, using a lit candle as a focus. Explore the story of Christmas and learn about why Christmas matters to Christians. Why is light such an important symbol? 1. What is light and it's meaning? 2. What is Remembrance Day? 3. What is the meaning of light? 4. What is the meaning of Hannukah? 5. What is the Christian story of Christmas?	 Why does a prayer mat become holy when a Muslim prays on it? Why do some people light incense when they pray?
Year 1:		

SPRING TERM

Previous Learning	Core Learning Intentions	Extension Opportunities
To be reinforced	Age Related	Next steps
Children in Early Years will have	Identity and belonging:	• Why is God important to some people?
talked about their family and	Belonging to a family and community	• How do some people show that God is
different things they like to do	What things are important to your family and to you?	everywhere?
together. Children may have been	Naming ceremonies: (Include a visit to a place of worship)	• What does it mean to be a follower?





involved in Christening ceremonies (or something similar) of different family members and possibly even their siblings. The role play area in EY may also have had baby dolls for the children to play with in a Doctors or baby clinic setting.	 How? Why do people have special ways of welcoming babies? Pupils role play a baptism through drama and song. Invite local Christian minister or lay people to talk about what it means to belong to a church (or a representative from another faith.) How do families celebrate the birth of a baby and why are names important? 1. What do you belong to? 2. What is a Christening? 3. What happens at a Muslim naming ceremony? 4. What happens at a Sikhism naming ceremony? 5. How does the Jewish faith welcome babies? 	 Using creative media, explore how we can live together when we are all so different.
Children may have brought in some artefacts during show and tell sessions. Being thankful and Harvest traditions Pupils find out how people with different religious and world views celebrate the fruitfulness of the earth (harvest traditions) How do religious communities express thankfulness for the world e.g. sukkot.	Prayer, Worship and reflection: Using artefacts to explore prayer and worship. Pupils explore examples of religious artefacts, asking questions, finding out their meaning and use in the context of prayer and worship. Beliefs and Practises: I understand some things about Judaism. I understand some things about Judaism. I understand what a place of worship is and can name some. The Easter Story: Pupils explore the Easter story, finding out what the festival means and how it is celebrated. ? 1. Why are artefacts important? 2. What is important to the Jewish faith? 3. What is important to Hinduism? 4. What do you know about places of worship? 5. What is the Easter story and why is it important for Christians?	 Why so some people pray to God/Allah for help? In what way do religious people share actions when praying? What makes a place holy? Why do some people thank and praise God? Should we be responsible for looking after others and our world and why does it matter? If we are made in the image of God, why are we all so different? What would you give up for someone else?





Year 1:		
SUMMER TERM		
Previous Learning To be reinforced	Core Learning Intentions Age Related	Extension Opportunities Next steps
Looking at prominent faith stories e.g. Christmas, Easter, Diwali, Hanukkah	Sources of Wisdom: Sacred texts: who reads them, when and why? Why is the Bible holy and sacred for Christians? (UC 1.4 Gospel What is the good news that Jesus brings) Why are the Torah and/or Qur'an holy and sacred for Jews and/or Muslims? How do Jews and Muslims look after and read their holy and sacred book? Faith stories: What do faith stories tell us about the way people should look after each other and the world? Think about whether everyone shares the same belief about how the world began. Explore and tell some parables through drama. What are sacred texts? 1. Why are some books special? 2. What is the Qur'an and why is it special? 3. What is the Bible and why is it special? 4. What is the Guru Granth Sahib and why is it special? 5. Why is the Torah special for Jewish people?	 Why are some books called holy or sacred? How was the world made? Think about whether everyone shares the same belief about how the world began.
Introduction of whole school rules, BE KIND, BE SAFE AND BE RESPONSIBLE	 Human responsibility and values : I understand and can re-tell the Creation Story. Find out what different faiths say about looking after the world and those living within it. I understand and can talk about the Christian story, The Good Samaritan. Taking responsibility- Create a recipe for living together happily. Why are stories such a good way to learn?- this theme does not match all of the questions. 	 Whose world is it? Should everyone in the world take responsibility for looking after it? Whose community? Should everyone in the world take responsibility for looking after each other?





	 What is a Creation story and what is the Christian Creation story? Why should we look after all of the creatures in the world? What is a faith story and how did Jesus try to teach people how to be a good Christian? What do Buddhist stories teach? What is zakat and why is this important to Muslims? 	
Conversations about God may have	Ultimate Questions:	 What might heaven be like?
been covered during Christmas	Big questions about God	 Look at how different people have
time where God is mentioned in	Explore themes from the spirited Arts Competition. (<u>www.natre.org.uk</u>).	expressed their ideas about God. Think
many of the songs within the	Who or what is God if anything?	and share with others their own ideas
nativity play that the EY children		about God.
perform.	1. Whose world is it?	 If you met Jesus, how would you
	2. Should everyone in the world take responsibility for looking	describe him?
	after it?	 If Jesus came to your town, where
	3. Where is God? (UC God 1:1	would he visit? Why?
	4. What do Christians believe God is like?	 Pupils consider what people (religious
	5. Who made the world?	and non-religious) believe happens to a
		person after they die.

Year 2: AUTUMN TERM		
Previous Learning	Core Learning Intentions	Extension Opportunities
To be reinforced	Age Related	Next steps
Children will have looked at the	Symbols and actions:	• Why does a prayer mat become holy
symbol of light in Y1 when	Expressing religious meaning	when a Muslim prays on it?
covering the festivals of light such	Pupils use photos/religious artefacts identifying the group to which these	• Why do some people light incense
as Christmas, Hanukkah and Diwali.	belong. Why is light/water/a tree such an important religious symbol?	when they pray?





They may also have had experience of reflecting with a real lit candle. Children will have looked at harvest traditions and learnt about how different groups of people celebrate the fruitfulness of the earth, and how some religions express this. Pupils will have looked at different examples of religious artefacts in the Spring term, exploring how they are used in prayer and worship.	Explore symbols of 2 religious traditions, looking for similarities such as light, water trees. What is important about the design of some places of worship? Visit a place of worship identify and find out about the meanings of symbols of God. Beliefs and practices: Festivals including Christmas How do festivals bring people together? What are the ingredients of a festival? Why does Christmas matter to Christians? (UC Incarnation 1:3 Digging deeper) What events are Christians remembering and believing when they celebrate Christmas? Prayer, worship and reflection: Muslim prayer and action Why do some people pray to Allah for help? How do some Muslims wash and pray in a daily pattern? Why does a prayer mat become holy when a Muslim prays on it? What makes a place holy? Autumn 1 What do Muslims believe? 1. Why do some people pray to Allah? 2. How and why do Muslims wash and pray in a daily pattern? 3. How is a prayer mat used in prayer? 4. What are the ingredients of a festival?- name the festival- Eid? 5. Which events are Christians remembering and believing when they celebrate Christmas? Would this be better in autumn 2? Autumn 2	 If we are made in the image of God, why are we all so different? Why do some people thank and praise God? Should we be responsible for looking after others and our world and why does it matter? What would you give up for someone else? Why so some people pray to God/Allah for help? In what way do religious people share actions when praying? What makes a place holy?
	1. What symbols are important to us?	
	2. What do the symbols of different religions mean?	
	3. Why is light such an important religious symbol?	





 4. What is important about the design of some places of worship? (mosque) 5. What is important about the design of a synagogue?

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From Y1: as above	Prayer, Worship and Reflection	Why so some people pray to God/Allah
This store along a large second in the	Different ways of giving thanks to God	for help?
This strand was also covered in the	Invite a faith visitor to school or visit a place of worship to explore prayer,	In what way do religious people share
Autumn term in Year 2, where	worship and reflection with pupils.	actions when praying?
children should have looked at	How do different religions say 'Thank you' to God?	What makes a place holy?
Muslim Prayer and action.	In what ways do different religious people share actions when praying.	• Why is God important to some people?
Children ill have looked at this in	The Lord's Prayer: Why do Christians all over the world pray 'The Lord's	How do some people show that God is
Year 1 when they looked at	Prayer', explore The Lord's Prayer through images.	everywhere?
Belonging to a family and	Identity and belonging	 What does it mean to be a follower?
community and Naming		Using creative media, explore how we
ceremonies.	Some of above also covered in this area (Giving thanks to God)	can live together when we are all so
This will be the first time the	Shabbat and Passover: Why does Shabbat have a special place in Jewish	different.
children will have explored the RE	families? How and why do people celebrate special and holy times e.g.	
strand: Sources of Wisdom	Passover, Easter	
	Sources of wisdom including Beliefs and practises (EASTER) The Easter	
Children will have learnt about the	Story	
Easter story previously in Year 1.	What is the good news that Jesus brings (UC 1.4, Digging Deeper) What	
	events are Christians remembering and believing when they celebrate	
	Easter (UC Salvation 1.5, Digging Deeper)	
	Spring 1	
	What is prayer? Q1-3	
	Why is Passover important to Jews and Easter to Christian? Q4-5	
	1. How is prayer, worship and reflection explored in Hinduism?	
	2. How do we say thank you? (prayers and poems)	
	3. Why do Christians all over the world pray "The Lord's Prayer'	
	4. What is Easter? What happened and why is it important?	
	5. Why is Passover an important celebration for Jewish people?	
	Spring 2 needs a theme- suggest making these 5 questions about	
	Easter and passover	





Spring 2	
1. How do some people believe God is everywhere?	
2. What does it mean to be a follower?	
3. What actions are shared when praying?	
4. How can we live together using Art to express this?	
5. What is a holy time?	
3. White is a nory time.	

Year 2: SUMMER TERM		
Previous Learning	Core Learning Intentions	Extension Opportunities
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and fairness briefly in Autumn year 1 when looking at Giving to Charity.Showing care and concern How have people of faith influenced the world by their actions? How can a Christian charity that focuses on Justice and fairness? Why do we need rules anyway? Pupils explore what rules an individual or organisation might need and why? How do we know how and when to be good? Human responsibility and values Whose community? What makes human being so unique? How can we live together when we are all so different? Pupils share ideas on how we know that people come from different religions. Pupils explore the relationship between humans, their environment and other living things. How do the religious groups in your local community look after people and the world? What is carried out locally for the benefit of the whole community? Should everyone in the world take responsibility for looking after each other? Ultimate Questions Who made the world and other big questions? What do many Christians, Muslims and Jews believe about how the world was made? (<i>UC God 1:1 What do Christians believe God is like? Digging Deeper</i>)How do we know how and when to be good?•How have people of faith influenced the world administion charity that focuses on Justice and fairness? Why do we need rules anyway? Pupils explore what ues an individual or organisation might need and why? How do we know how and when to be good? What does it mean to 'stand up for good?•Whose community? What makes human being so unique? How can we live together when we are all so different? Pupils share ideas on how we know that people come from different religions. Pupils explore the relationship between humans, their environment and other living things. How do the religious groups in your local community look after people have expressed their ideas about God. <br< th=""><th>Children will have looked at Justice</th><th>Justice and fairness</th><th></th></br<>	Children will have looked at Justice	Justice and fairness	
	and fairness briefly in Autumn year 1 when looking at Giving to	 Showing care and concern How have people of faith influenced the world by their actions? How can faith stories guide people in their choices of what is right or wrong? Explore a Christian charity that focuses on Justice and fairness? Why do we need rules anyway? Pupils explore what rules an individual or organisation might need and why? How do we know how and when to be good? Human responsibility and values Whose community? What makes human being so unique? How can we live together when we are all so different? Pupils share ideas on how we know that people come from different religions. Pupils explore the relationship between humans, their environment and other living things. How do the religious groups in your local community look after people and the world? What is carried out locally for the benefit of the whole community? Should everyone in the world take responsibility for looking after each other? Ultimate Questions Who made the world and other big questions? What do many Christians, Muslims and Jews believe about how the world was made? (UC God 1:1 What do Christians believe God is like? Digging 	 good? Is it only religions that help us to learn about what is right and wrong? What does it mean to 'stand up for good'? Whose world is it? Should everyone in the world take responsibility for looking after it? Whose community? Should everyone in the world take responsibility for looking after each other? What might heaven be like? Look at how different people have expressed their ideas about God. If you met Jesus, how would you





Human responsibility and Values –	Who made the world (UC God 1:2 Digging Deeper)	IF Jesus came to your town, where
This is the first time this strand has	How is the victory over good over evil expressed in a range of religions and	would he visit? Why?
come up in KS1, but children will	world views? E.g. story of Diwali, Purim, Adhan.	Pupils consider what people (religious
have engaged in conversation	What might heaven be like? Explore themes from the spirited Arts	and non-religious) believe happens to
about belonging to a community	competition (<u>www.natre.org.uk</u>)	a person after they die.
within P4C lessons and	competition (<u>www.ndite.org.uk</u>)	a person after they die.
appreciating that people have	Summer 1 Why should we look after our world and the people in it?	
different beliefs and opinions.	Could move earlier lesson about ZAKAT here from Yr 1 Summer	
Ultimate questions was also	1. Why is it important to look after our world?	
covered in the Summer term of	2. How did prophet Muhammad (pbuh) teach us to look after the	
Year 1 when they looked at Who	creatures of the world? This repeats	
made the world and other big	3. How do Christian stories teach right from wrong?	
questions, the main difference	4. What is Christian Aid?	
being in Year 2 they are looking at	5. Why do we need rules?	
specific faiths.	S. Why do we need fulles.	
	How do we know what is right and wrong and good and evil?	
	Summer 2	
	1. How do we know how and when to be good?	
	2. What makes us all unique? Can differences bring us together?	
	3. How do I, my school and my community look after the world?	
	4. How is the victory of good over evil expressed in the story of 'Bilal	
	and the call to Prayer'?	
	5. What might heaven be like?	

LOWER KEY STAGE 2 (Years 3 and 4)

Year 3:	MAIN RELIGIONS COVERED IN Y3: CHRITIANITY AND ISLAM	
AUTUMN TERM		
Previous Learning	Core Learning Intentions	Extension Opportunities
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Beliefs and Practise has been covered in KS1, but in Year 3 they will be comparing 2 different religions (Christianity and Islam). They may have touched up on different festivals such as Eid depending on if pupils had recounted their own experiences.	 Beliefs and Practise Marking festivals, traditions and key events in life Look at 2 contrasting religions (Christianity and Islam), pupils describe ways and traditions of celebrating festivals (e.g. Eid-ul-Adha, Eid-ul-Fitr, Easter, Christmas) and marking important events in life (birth, welcoming ceremonies and traditions, e.g. Christian baptism and Muslim Shahada.)Pupils also explore different ways of marking the same event (e.g. Christmas, ceremonies of belonging.) UC People of God 2a.2 What is it like to follow God? Advent and Christmas traditions around the world 6. What are the differences and similarities between Christianity and Islam? 7. How do religions traditionally celebrate festivals? 8. How do Christianity and Islam celebrate the same events? 9. What is the story of Christmas and why is this important to Christians? 10. What does Christmas mean to non-Christians? 	 Why are there different ways of marking the same life event? Explore whether or not a place of pilgrimage needs to have a spiritual connection.
Symbols and actions was covered in KS1 looking at 2 different religious traditions. In year 3 it goes on to discuss symbolic expression in prayer and worship and begin to look at more abstract meanings.	 Symbols and actions Symbolic expression in prayer and worship Through the exploration of beliefs and practices, pupils explain how symbolic actions in worship can communicate and express meaning beyond words. They explore humility in prayer (genuflection, wudhoo, foot washing, silence and submission to Allah.) the power of light across religions and the importance of sharing food in Christian worship. Advent Christmas traditions around the world. 1. What do symbols mean in Islam and Christianity? 2. Can I explore Humility in prayer? 3. Why is light powerful in Religion? 4. What is the importance of sharing food? 5. What are the similarities and difference in Christmas celebrations? 	 How can art, architecture and artefacts and icons express meaning beyond words? When do actions and expressions of belief show commitment?





Year 3:		
SPRING TERM		
Previous Learning	Core Learning Intentions	Extension Opportunities
To be reinforced	Age Related	Next steps
Identity and belonging was	Identity and belonging	 Do you need to have faith to know
covered broadly in KS1 looking at	Belonging to a family, a community challenges and religious leadership	what commitment means?
naming ceremonies and specific	What does it mean to belong to a faith community? Pupils explore shared	• How do you know where you belong?
prayers to a given religion (the	beliefs and develop imaginative/creative ways of expressing their own faith	 What makes a religious leader?
Lord's prayer- Christianity)	or belief commitments (e.g. Sikh Kalsa). Looking at the challenge of	
Prayer and Worship was covered	individual commitment, they explore how the 5 pillars guide Muslims in	 Is prayer only possible in a sacred
in year 1 when they explored Using	their daily lives and question why some Muslims pray 5 times a day while	place? Why do some believers need to
artefacts to explore prayer and	others do not. They earn about the rile and duties of historical and religious	go to a place of worship to pray?
worship as well as going on a trip	leadership (Jesus, Muhammad, Imam, Vicar) on followers in their own lives.	 Who hears our prayers and how are
to a Mandhir. This strand was	Prayer, worship and reflection	they answered?
revisited again in Year 2 when they	Communicating through sacred spaces and prayer	 Should prayer be silent?
looked at celebrating the festival	Pupils investigate the role and special place for worship in a mosque and a	• Why is the church roof in the shape of
of Christmas and looking at	Church exploring meaning and significance for followers. They examine how	a boat?
Different ways of giving thanks to	architecture and design may contribute to a worshipper's experience and	
God.	ask, who hears our prayers? They learn about key prayers (the first surah in	
Ultimate questions was covered in	the Qur'an and the Lord's prayer) and how they might inspire a believer's	Why are there some questions about
the Summer term in KS1 where	commitment.	life to which we don't have the
children asked Big questions about	They revisit the Easter story and learn about the Eucharist through visiting a	answers?
God and Who made the world and	local church or listening	 Why don't we know what happens
other big questions. Stories about	Ultimate questions	when we die?
Diwali Purim etc may have been	Different ideas about God and gods, creation and ultimate questions	 What might God want to say to the
used as well as story books in Y1.	Discussing challenging questions about meaning, purpose and truth, pupils	human race?
	consider the different ideas about God and pose some deeper questions	Who would God want to meet, or
	(e.g. Why are there some questions about life to which we don't have the	maybe share a meal with?
	answers?) They learn some of the ways religion's name and describe the	





	 attributes of God (e.g. the 99 names of Allah and the Trinity) they explore different stories about how the world began (Christianity and Islam) expressing creatively theirs and others ideas on creation, God and heaven through creative media.) UC 2a.1 What do Christians learn from the creations story? 1. What does it mean to be part of a faith community? 2. What faith commitments do Muslims undertake? 3. What was the role of Historical religious leaders? 4. What are the different beliefs about God, creation and Ultimate questions? 5. What is a creation story and what different stories are there to explain how the world began? 	 Why are there good and bad people in the world?
Children will have covered Beliefs and practises for the first 2 terms in KS1. This will have included Being thankful and Harvest traditions Muslim Prayer and action The Easter Story in y1 and 2.	 Beliefs and practices Exploring Lent, Holy Week and Salvation (UC 2a.5, Why do Christians call the day Jesus died Good Friday?) 6. Why is the Mosque important as a place of worship? 7. Why is the Church important as a place of worship? 8. How do key prayers inspire believers? 9. What are the key events of Lent, Holy Week and Salvation? 10. Why is the story of Easter an important Christian celebration 	 Why are there different ways of marking the same life event? Explore whether or not a place of pilgrimage needs to have a spiritual connection.

Year 3:		
SUMMER TERM		
Previous Learning	Core Learning Intentions	Extension Opportunities
i revious Learning		





To be reinforced	Age Related	Next steps
Sources of wisdom was covered in Year 1 when briefly looking at different sacred texts and discussing what makes a book special and then again in Year 2 when they talk about the Easter story and the good news that Jesus brought.	Sources of Wisdom Sacred texts and stories, their guidance and impact Enquiring about what is wisdom, pupils explore the power of faith stories and sacred writing from the Christian and Islamic traditions (e.g. The good Samaritan, The story of Muhammad) and respond to the impact of these on religious followers. They consider what is a sacred text, beliefs about its origin and how it should be treated (e.g. The Qur'an and the Bible.) Learning about the impact of authority on individual believers, they ask and explore 'Who was Jesus?' and 'What is the Trinity?' (UC 2a.3) and the impact of Pentecost on Christians.) (UC 2a.6 When Jesus left what was the impact of Pentecost?)	 Why do psalms, poems, hymns and stories affect followers in different ways? How do believers interpret these in their different communities? What is golden about the golden rules of faith and belief?
Children will have looked at Human responsibility and values when creating a recipe for living together happily and learning about Zakat and why it is important to Muslims. In Year 2 they thought about taking collective responsibility in looking after the environment.	 Human responsibility and values Taking responsibility for living together, values and respect Pupils consider their responsibility for the world and for each other and some religions and world view responses (e.g. what kind of world did Jesus want?). They consider what rules different communities follow about caring for the world/each other. They think about what is important and what is valued and compile a moral values charter. (UC 2a.4 What kind of world would Jesus want?) 1. What is the power of faith stories and sacred writing? 2. What are sacred texts? 3. What is the impact of authority on individual believers? 4. How does faith show itself as a positive force in our world? 5. How can we explain the creation of our world? 	 How might religions help people to be good? How do humanists show care and responsibility for others?
Exploring the theme of Justice and fairness was covered in Year 2 when looking at how stories guide	Justice and fairness Right and wrong, Just and fair.	 Who decides what is right and what is wrong?





people in their choices of what is right and wrong . There will also	Pupils learn about justice and fairness through the work of development charities (Christian Aid, Islamic Relief, Oxfam or their local religious charity	 Does fairness mean everyone gets the same?
have been some discussion about individual and collective rules.	group) and apply their own ideas on matters that are important. They explore faith stories that illustrate justice and fairness and how to treat each other (e.g. Zaccheus the tax Collector and Widow's Mite) They reflect on	• What does Hindu thought teach about equality? What does it say about differences, for example between
	 who decides what is right and wrong. 1. What rules different communities follow about care for each other and the world? 2. What is our responsibility for the world and each other? 3. Do I understand faith and justice through the work of development charities? 4. Can I identify faith and justice through faith stories? 	 people? Discuss Ghandi's statement 'You must be the change you want to see in the world.'

Year 4	MAIN RELIGIONS COVERED IN Y4: CHRITIANITY and HINDUISM/SIKHISM	
AUTUMN TERM:		
Previous Learning	Core Learning Intentions	Extension Opportunities

Previous Learning	Core Learning Intentions	Extension Opportunities
To be reinforced	Age Related	Next steps
The children looked at Beliefs and	Beliefs and practices	Why are there different ways of marking
practices and key events in life within Year	Recognise key similarities and differences between Christianity	the same life event?
3 which also included marking festivals	and Hinduism.	• Explore whether or not a place of
within Christianity and Islam, but in Year 4	Understand what Hindu's and Christians believe about God.	pilgrimage needs to have a spiritual
it extends to pilgrimage choosing 2 faiths	Christian and Hindu pilgrimage	connection.
between Hinduism or Sikhism and	Investigate Hindu Gods -	
Christianity.	Hindu festivals e.g. Diwali, Hindy birth traditions, incarnation	
	Marking festivals, pilgrimage, traditions and key events in life.	
Children in Y3 covered Symbols and	Looking at 2 contrasting religions (Hinduism or Sikhism and	How can art, architecture and artefacts
actions where they explored ways and	Christianity,) pupils describe different ways and traditions of	and icons express meaning beyond
traditions of celebrating different festivals	celebrating festivals (e.g. Vaisakhi, Diwali) and marking important	words?
which included Eid, Easter and Christmas	events in life. They explore the inner meaning behind the key	





as well as marking important key events in birth welcoming ceremonies.	practices including Sikh and Hindu birth traditions and consider why there are different ways of marking the same event (e.g. Christmas, Eucharist, Advent and Diwali) around the world. UC People of God 2a.2 Digging Deeper- What is it like to follow God? Why do some people make pilgrimage (Kumbha Mela for Hindus, Golden Temple at Amristar for Sikhs, Hajj for Muslims?' Symbols and actions Symbolic expression in prayer and worship Through the exploration of beliefs and practises, pupils explain how actions of worship are symbolic and can communicate a faith commitment beyond words (e.g. food and music). They explore the 5 K's, the Kanda and the importance of Sewa for Sikhs. Pupils learn about Hindu relationships with their deities and the power of religious symbols including art, architecture and icons.	When do actions and expressions of belief show commitment?
Covered in Summer term of Year 3, children looked at Sources of wisdom within sacred texts focusing on Christianity and Islam.	 Sources of Wisdom- Exploring the Trinity at Christmas- Incarnation (UC 2a.3 What is the Trinity?) What are the key beliefs in Hinduism and how does this compare to Christianity? Autumn 1 What are the key beliefs and symbols in Hinduism? What are the similarities and differences between Christianity and Hinduism? What is the belief of Samsara, Karma and Moksha? What is the Hindu view of God? What are Hindu and Christians beliefs about God and what happens when we die? 	 Why do psalms, poems, hymns and stories affect followers in different ways? How do believers interpret these in their different communities? What is golden about the golden rules of faith and belief?





Would it be possible to have pilgrimage as a theme for this unit as this needs to be taught in KS2
 What is a pilgrimage and what key pilgrimages might Christians and Hindus take and why? What is the significance of architecture and artefacts in the Hindu faith? Why are church rooves shaped like a boat? What is the holy trinity in Christianity? How can I create a Christmas message through story telling.

Year 4 SPRING TERM:

Previous Learning	Core Learning Intentions	Extension Opportunities
To be reinforced	Age Related	Next steps
Children learning about Identity and	Identity and Belonging	• Do you need to have faith to know what
belonging in Y3 focused closely on	Focus: Islam and Sikhism	commitment means?
'community' and ways individuals	Understand where we belong e.g. to a religion, community,	 How do you know where you belong?
expressed their own faith or belief	group.	 What makes a religious leader?
commitments. Children will have explored	Explore how festivals bring people together – Bandi Chhor Divas.	
the five pillars in Islam and also looked at	Belonging to a community, Individual commitment and religious	
the religious leadership of Muhammad	leadership	
and Jesus and an Imam or Vicar.	Exploring where we may belong, pupils discover how some	
	people identify and define themselves, what belonging might	
	mean and how it shapes their lives. Considering some of the	
	challenges individuals and communities face (e.g. Sikh Kalsa, they	
	ask if you need to have faith to understand commitment. Pupils	
	discover how some religious festivals (e.g. Easter, Diwali, Bandi	
	Chor Divas) might bring a community together to express its	





 shared commitment. visiting a religious leader or through a place of worship visit, pupils learn what makes a religious leader and their impact on followers. What does it mean to be a Sikh? Spring 1 What is belief and what is belief is for a Sikh? What are the characteristics of a leader? Who was Guru Nanak How does a Sikh show their faith and commitment? (5 K's) What are the qualities of sharing and equality in Sikhisr 	
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Children have looked investigating the role of a special place for worship for its followers. They will have delved into the architecture and design which might contribute to the overall experience of a believer. They will have looked at the first Surah in the Qur'an (Surah al Hamd) and the Lord's Prayer.Spring 2• Why are there some questions about life to which we don't have the answers?Children will have looked at the first Surah in the Qur'an (Surah al Hamd) and the Lord's Prayer.• What key messages might God want the world to hear? 3. Why do believers go to a place of worship to pray? 4. How can you have faith when no-one answers you? 5. Why do we have good and bad people? (Beliefs and Practices-Easter) Exploring Good Friday- Jesus' death and resurrection. (UC 2a.5, Digging Deeper Why do Christians call the day Jesus dies Good Friday?• Why are there some questions about life to which we don't have the answers? • Why don't we know what happens when we die?In Year 3 children looked at Ultimate questions that we do not have answers to. They will also have looked at different creation stories (mainly focused on Christianity and Islam). They will also have learnt attributes of God by looking at the 99 names of Allah within the Islamic faithFriday?99 names of Allah within the Islamic faithWhy are there different ways of marking the same life evert?• Why are there different ways of marking the same life evert?• Why are there different ways of have a spiritual• Why are there different ways of marking the same life evert?			
connection.	of a special place for worship for its followers. They will have delved into the architecture and design which might contribute to the overall experience of a believer. They will have looked at the first Surah in the Qur'an (Surah al Hamd) and the Lord's Prayer. Children will have learnt about Lent, Holy week and Salvation in year 3. In Year 3 children looked at Ultimate questions in addressing that there will be questions that we do not have answers to . They will also have looked at different creation stories (mainly focused on Christianity and Islam). They will also have learnt attributes of God by looking at the	 What values are most important in life? What key messages might God want the world to hear? Why do believers go to a place of worship to pray? How can you have faith when no-one answers you? Why do we have good and bad people? (Beliefs and Practices- Easter) Exploring Good Friday- Jesus' death and resurrection. (UC 2a.5, Digging Deeper Why do Christians call the day Jesus 	 to which we don't have the answers? Why don't we know what happens when we die? What might God want to say to the human race? Who would God want to meet, or maybe share a meal with? Why are there good and bad people in the world? Is prayer only possible in a sacred place? Why do some believers need to go to a place of worship to pray? Who hears our prayers and how are they answered? Should prayer be silent? Why is the church roof in the shape of a boat? Why are there different ways of marking the same life event? Explore whether or not a place of pilgrimage needs to have a spiritual





Year 4		
SUMMER TERM		
Previous Learning	Core Learning Intentions	Extension Opportunities
To be reinforced	Age Related	Next steps
Sources of Wisdom looked at earlier in year 4 within the Autumn term where children will have explored the Trinity during Christmas time and touched on Incarnation. Children will have already considered their responsibility for the world and each other. They also learnt about some religious and worldview responses. They will hopefully have looked at or created a moral values charter.	Sources of Wisdom Sacred tests and stories, their guidance and impact Enquiring about what is wisdom, where does it come from and who decides what is wise, pupils explore a range of faith stories (e.g. Bhagavad Gita, Ramayana and stories from the Sikh tradition) and how their authority may help to guide followers in their daily lives. They investigate how psalms, poems, hymns and stories are interpreted in different communities and why they affect followers in different ways. They ask what is golden about the golden rules of faith and belief? Human responsibility and values	 Why do psalms, poems, hymns and stories affect followers in different ways? How do believers interpret these in their different communities? What is golden about the golden rules of faith and belief? How might religions help people to be good? How do humanists show care and responsibility for others? Who decides what is right and what is wrong?
This was also covered in the Summer term of Year 3. They explored concepts of right , wrong , just and fair . Children will have been taught this strand by looking at the work of charities . They will also have covered stories on justice and fairness . Reflection time will have been given on who decides what is right and wrong .	Taking responsibility for living together, values and respect. Pupils consider their responsibility for the world and for each other and some religious and worldview responses (e.g. How do Humanists show care and responsibility for others?) They consider why might there be different ideas about what is important and what is valued (e.g. Hindu teaching, ahimsa- harmlessness) and express their own ideas on the treatment of animals. They compile a moral values charter applying different religious codes and worldviews and discuss whether having a religious faith helps people to be good? Justice and fairness	 Does fairness mean everyone gets the same? What does Hindu thought teach about equality? What does it say about differences, for example between people? Discuss Thandi's statement 'You must be the change you want to see in the world.'





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Right and wrong, just and fair.	
Pupils apply their own ideas about justice and fairness through	
the work of development charities (e.g. Tear Fund, Red Nose	
Day, Khalsa Aid or local religious charity groups.) They discuss	
the importance of fairness, peace and justice in the light of faith	
stories (e.g. The Milk and the Jasmine Flower, How Ganesh got	
the elephant head, The Emperor and the Langar) and other	
sources of wisdom. They explore ethical questions (e.g. does	
fairness mean everyone gets the same?) and Hindu responses	
to the concept of equality and the central role of the Langar in	
Sikh life.	
How can parables and rules teach us about justice and	
fairness?- This is very similar to summer 2	
Summer 1	
1. What is the bible	
2. How is the bible used by Christians	
3. Are there Golden rules in faith	
4. How are concepts of justice and fairness taught	
through Sikh parables?	
(The milk and the jasmine and the flower)	
5. How can we see justice and fairness in a Christian	
parable?	
(Zacheus the Tax Collector)	
Summer 2	
1. How do Faiths show their responsibility to the world?	
(Langar, Charities, Equality)	
2. What is my responsibility to the world?	
3. Does justice and fairness mean everyone has the	
same?	
4. How can I express my commitment to justice and	
fairness?	





5. Does having a faith make you a better person?

UPPER KEY STAGE 2 (Years 5 and 6)

Year 5 AUTUMN TERM:

MAIN RELIGIONS COVERED IN Y5: CHRISTIANITY AND JUDAISM

Previous Learning	Core Learning Intentions	Extension Opportunities
To be reinforced	Age Related	Next steps
Children will have looked at celebrating festivals. In Year 4 they looked at Sikh and birth traditions. Also, the children will have also looked generally at how the same event can be marked in different ways , and this is continued in Year 5. In Year 4, children will have also touched on different pilgrimages that followers from different faiths embark.	Age Related Beliefs and Practices Celebrations, key events in life and pilgrimage. I can explore what it means to live as a Christian/Jew in Britain today, considering internal diversity. I can reflect on spiritual ways of celebrating the same and different festivals (Advent/Christmas). I can learn about diverse responses to sacred rituals (e.g. Shabbat) and rites of passage in different traditions. I can make connections and develop an understanding of spiritual journeys and the importance of pilgrimage for believers. Autumn 1 1. What does it mean to be a Christian/Jew in Britain today? 2. What is the importance of Shabbat and how does it impact modern-day lives? 3. What are the rites of passage in different traditions?	 Next steps Is Christmas only for Christians? Why is pilgrimage seen as an outward and an inward spiritual journey? Why are celebrations marked differently within the same family? For example, Christmas, Easter/Passover/Eid/Diwali around the world How can God be different things to different people?





This strand was covered last in the Autumn term of Year 4. They will have learnt how certain actions in worship are symbolic and can communicate a faith commitment beyond words (e.g. through food and music.) They will have focused on the religion of Sikhism and the concept of the 5 Ks and the importance of 'sewa'.	 4. What is the role of food in religion and what challenges can it present for modern-day lives? 5. What is symbolism of light and why it is important in faith? Symbols and actions Symbolic ways of expressing meaning I can compare how religious and symbolic artefacts are used in prayer and practise to express meaning. I can explore how religious faith is communicated and expressed through the creative arts. I can learn about the common themes and symbolism Identity and Belonging 	 How can the use of wine have a powerful symbolic place in some faiths, yet not permitted in others? How do our actions reflect our values? How might silence be considered an action? What does it mean to take your religion or worldview seriously?
Children may also have looked at the Hindu relationships with their deities and the power of religious symbols such as art and architecture.	I can exploring the incarnation through the Christmas story (UC2b.4 Was Jesus the Messiah?) Autumn 2	 Who decides what makes someone a prophet/saint/guru? How can belonging to a faith have
Children will be familiar with the Easter story from KS1 and Jesus' death and	 How is religious faith communicated through the creative arts? What are spiritual ways of celebrating Advent and Christmas? 	many different interpretations? Using your knowledge of Jesus, Moses and/or the Buddha, if they returned today,
resurrection from Year 4 through the Beliefs and Practices strand of the RE curriculum.	 What religious and symbolic artefacts are used in prayer? Does a pilgrimage have to be religious? What is the incarnation and why it is important in the Christmas story? 	where would they go? What would they do?

Year 5		
SPRING TERM:		
Previous Learning	Core Learning Intentions	Extension Opportunities
To be reinforced	Age Related	Next steps





This concept of Belonging to a	Identity and Belonging	What does it mean to take your
community was first introduced in Year	Belonging to a community, individual commitment and religious	religion or worldview seriously?
3 and has been built on each year.	leadership	Who decides what makes
They will have studied it through looking	I can explore/compare the lives of key leaders from contemporary life.	someone a prophet/saint/guru?
at Sikhism and Islam. They will also have	Ask what is means to be a religious leader and how leadership impacts	How can belonging to a faith have
learnt about religious leaders in these 2	the lives of followers.	many different interpretations?
faiths.	I can express insights into the modern-day challenges of ancient laws for	 Using your knowledge of Jesus,
This time, in Year 5 the focus will be on	Jews (e.g. Keeping Shabbat and keeping Kosher).	Moses and/or the Buddha, if they
Judaism	I can, through the stories of Moses/Jesus, pupil explore key events from	returned today, where would they
	history.	go? What would they do?





The children will be familiar with the term sacred spaces from Year 3 onwards. They will have covered sacred spaces within Islam and Sikhism/Hinduism. So far, the children have only learnt about different sacred spaces that followers use, whereas this time, they will also be questioning if a sacred space is necessary.

They will also have **revisited the Easter story and learnt about the Eucharist Church**.

Children have been building on their understanding of ultimate questions from KS1. In lower KS2, they have explored this theme largely through looking at Islam and Sikhism and/or Hinduism. However, they will also have been introduced to abstract questions about our existence which could have been discussed through any viewpoint The children should have a good understanding of the Easter story as it has been explored in the Spring term in every year group..

Prayer, Worship and reflection

Communicating beyond prayer and sacred spaces

I can observe how some believers communicate through the physical space of a church/synagogue/temple, looking at the similarities and differences.

I can discover why and how artefacts are used in Jewish prayer to enrich experience.

I can question whether or not prayer spaces are needed to connect to God and enquire how prayers (e.g. The Lord's Prayer, the Shema), might enhance worship.

Ultimate questions

Different ideas about God and gods, creation and ultimate questions

I can discuss challenges and deeper questions about meaning, purpose and truth, pupils consider reasons why there are different responses and ideas about the divine (e.g. whether God is real.) I can start to think about life after death and what heaven might look like, considering both Christian and Jewish perspectives.

I can begin to explore different accounts on how the world began and question how they all can be true. The consider the role of God and the responsibility of humanity.

I can (through creative media), they begin to ask and answer their own questions. This could be introduced through participation in practical, expressive projects such as NATRE Spirited Art <u>www.nate.org.uk</u>

(UC 2b.1 What does it mean if God is holy and loving?2b.2 'Creation and Science' contradictory or complementary?)Symbols and actions

- Does prayer make a difference?
- If we can have multi-faith prayer spaces, can we be people of a multi-faith?
- The Dalai Lama said "There is no need for temples, no need for complicated philosophies. My brain and my heart are my temples; my philosophy is kindness." Discuss in the light of worldviews.
- Consider the differences between meditation and being peaceful.
- How can belief help in understanding what happens when someone dies?
- If God made the world, why isn't it perfect?
- Where does God reside? Is he everywhere, inside the heart, or far beyond this world?
- If there was room for a new religion in the world, what would it look like?
- Is heaven the same for all religions? How many heavens are there?
- What is meant by 'soul'?
- Why doesn't karma work for everyone?





Spring 2 How does what you believe affect your view of life after death? 1. Is God real? 2. How can views of heaven be explored through Art? 3. What does life after death mean for Jews and Christians? 4. What are the themes in the Last Supper?	 I can explore themes in the last supper Spring 1 What are the stories of Moses/Jesus and what key events today do they teach us about? What is a sacred space and how does it help to communicate with God? How does belonging to a faith have many different interpretations? How do leaders impact the lives of followers? 	 How can the use of wine have a powerful symbolic place in some faiths, yet not permitted in others? How do our actions reflect our values? How might silence be considered an action?
	 Is God real? How can views of heaven be explored through Art? What does life after death mean for Jews and Christians? 	





Year 5		
SUMMER TERM:		
Previous Learning	Core Learning Intentions	Extension Opportunities
To be reinforced This strand was last covered in the Summer term of year 4 through Sikhism and Islam in Year 3; both will have been compared with Christianity. They will also be briefly familiar with the Lord's This will be a theme familiar to the children from Y3 onwards. They will have complied a moral values charter and gone on to apply different religious codes and worldviews. Children will have learnt this strand of the RE curriculum by looking at the role of charities, religious and non-religious. In Year 4 they will have delved a little deeper by looking at concepts such as fairness, peace and justice possibly through stories from Sikhism/Hinduism. Also, in Year 4 they will have explored ethical questions such as Does fairness mean everyone gets the same? (according to Sikhism/Hinduism) This may also link to P4C that will have been taught throughout the school.Prayer from Year 2.	Age Related Sources of Wisdom Sacred texts and stories, their guidance and impact I can understand what makes a source of wisdom? I can investigate and interpret a range of stories, sacred writing, people and artefacts from different traditions and communities. Texts might include the Lord's prayer, the Gospels, the Torah, Psalms, the Vedas, Bhagavad-Gita and world view responses. I can interpret what sources of wisdom communicate to followers and their impact upon groups of faith and belief. I can explore key religious figures in different tradition and their actions (e.g. What did Jesus do to save human beings?). Human responsibility and values Taking responsibility for living together, values and respect I can consider our social and environmental responsibilities, pupils discover and respond to religious and moral codes of conduct from the Christian, Jewish and humanist traditions. They think about why they should care, what is important and what may influence a community and individual's choices. I can compare golden rules and consider if and how the world needs repairing (e.g. the Jewish concept of Tikkun Olam.) Pupils think about God, in light of the values of fairness and equality, love, caring and sharing. (UC 2b.5 What would Jesus do?)	 Next steps What defines wisdom? Why were all the sacred texts written so long ago and are they still relevant? So what is God's plan? What does it mean to be human? Should religious buildings be sold to help solve world poverty? What footprint should we leave on the world? Are we responsible for each other; does helping others mean we should expect something in return? Should the law of the land affect the way religious people choose/chose to live their lives? "Deliver us from evil". Why is their evil in the world? Why isn't the world just and fair? How do you overcome evil and promote goodness?





	Justice and fairness Reflecting on ethics, what is right and wrong, just and fair? I can consider the guidance of the Ten Commandments, pupils express ideas about right and wrong in the light of their learning. I can learn about the practise of justice through the work of different Christian aid agencies and consider how it links with the life teachings of Jesus. Summer 1 1. What makes a source of wisdom? 2. Are faith sources of wisdom relevant today? 3. How does it feel to offer kindness? 4. How is justice reflected through charities? 5. Why is life similar to a pilgrimage? Summer 2 1. What are the social and environmental responsibilities of a Christian and a Jew and what are the golden rules? 2. What is Tikkun Olam? 3. What is Tezedakah and what is the impact on community? 4. Are faith parables always fair?	
Year 6 AUTUMN TERM:	MAIN RELIGIONS COVERED IN Y6: CHRISTIANITY AND B	UDDHISM
Previous Learning To be reinforced	Core Learning Intentions Age Related	Extension Opportunities Next steps





The children will have looked at this concept in Year 5 through exploring incarnation within the Christmas story . They have also looked at Belonging to a community, individual commitment and religious leadership from year 3 onwards. The focus now will be on comparing Christianity and Buddhism. It will have been in Year 5 that the children will have started looking at how the Arts are used to communicate and express parts of one's faith. They will also have explored artefacts in which the arts maybe reflected. The children will have discussed why there are different ways of marking the same event in Year 4. The children will alroady be familiar with	Identity and Belonging Celebrations and key events in life Pupils investigate what it means to live as a Christian or Buddhist in Britain today considering internal diversity. They reflect upon spiritual and internal diversity, comparing ways of celebrating the same and different festivals/events around the world (e.g. sacred or secular Christmas and how Humanists mark rites of passage) and question how and why festivals and events are valued by some and not others. Symbols and actions Symbolic ways of expressing meanings Pupils explore and compare how different religions and worldviews express their beliefs through the arts (e.g. poetry, song, stained glass and drama). They explore how artefacts and symbolic actions communicate different meaning to individuals. They investigate the mudras (gestures) of the Buddha, the Three Jewels) Buddha, the Dharma and the Sangha) and the wheel and the lotus flower in the light of Buddhist teaching and actions. Pupils examine why Christians celebrate the same thing in different symbolic ways (e.g. The Last Supper, Baptism).	 What does it mean to take your religion or worldview seriously? Who decides what makes someone a prophet/saint/guru? How can belonging to a faith have many different interpretations? Using your knowledge of Jesus, Moses and/or the Buddha, if they returned today, where would they go? What would they do? How can the use of wine have a powerful symbolic place in some faiths, yet not permitted in others? How do our actions reflect our values? How might silence be considered an action? Is Christmas only for Christians?
,	symbolic ways (e.g. The Last Supper, Baptism). Beliefs and Practices Exploring the annunciation in a sacred and secular Christmas. (UC2b.4 Digging Deeper – Was Jesus the Messiah?) Autumn 1 Symbols and actions- Why are symbols and actions important to some people and communities? Autumn 2 How are religious teachings meaningful today? Beliefs and Practices: What is the Buddhist way of life? Sources of Wisdom: What can we learn from religious stories? 1. What is the role of meditation in Buddhist prayer?	Is Christmas only for





 How does the Buddhist concepts of desire, suffering and compassion affect the choices followers make? What defines wisdom? What guidance do Buddhist stories give? Is Christmas religious or secular? 	
What does it mean to take your religion or world view seriously? Is pain and suffering caused be what we desire? What would Jesus, Dali Lama or other key religious figures say to the world today? Why are celebrations marked differently within the same family around the world, e.g. Christmas, Easter, Passover, Eid, Diwali	
What is the role of meditation in Buddhist prayer? What does it mean to take your religion or world view seriously? Is pain and suffering caused be what we desire?	
What would Jesus, Dali-Lama, Buddha or other key religious figures say to the world today? Why are celebrations marked differently within the same religious family around the world?	





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This will be a these that children have covered in lower as well as upper KS2. In year 3 the children will have focused on Christianity compared to Islam, In year 4 with Sikhism and Judaism in year 5. Children will be very familiar with what is meant by a **sacred space** by looking at it within different faiths within KS2.

They will also be familiar with **mindfulness** as this is practised regularly in YM school daily.

The children will be very familiar with the Easter story and will have covered Lent, Holy Week, Good Friday (death and resurrection) and The Last Supper.

Salvation was also briefly touched upon in Year 3 Spring term.

Identity and Belonging Belonging to a community, individual commitment and religious leadership

Expressing what belonging and faith means in 2 different traditions, pupils explore and compare the life of contemporary key leaders and the qualities of leadership. They examine challenges, commitments and guidance, identifying the impact of faith on how followers live (e.g. considering the Eightfold path, how do Buddhists try to follow the Buddha's example?).

They express insights into modern day challenges of faith (e.g. Can someone be a practising Buddhist and still lead a privileged life? And the internal diversity of responses.

They raise deep questions and ask what might be the most difficult aspects of being Buddhist, Christian and/or Humanist in Britain today (e.g. what defines us and what is our purpose?)

Focusing on the Easter story and personal heroes, they examine the significance for Christians of Jesus as the Messiah.

Prayer, Worship and reflection

Communicating beyond prayer and sacred spaces

Engaging with prayers from different religions, traditions and worldviews, pupils explore the role and interpretations of prayer, reflection, meditation and stillness and the impact on individuals. Considering what a multi-faith prayer space might look like, pupils look beyond the formal physical sacred space and construct of prayer and reflection

- What does it mean to take your religion or worldview seriously?
- Who decides what makes someone a prophet/saint/guru?
- How can belonging to a faith have many different interpretations?
- Using your knowledge of Jesus, Moses and/or the Buddha, if they returned today, where would they go? What would they do?
- Does prayer make a difference?
- If we can have multi-faith prayer spaces, can we be people of a multi-faith?
- The Dalai Lama said "There is no need for temples, no need for complicated philosophies. My brain and my heart are my temples; my philosophy is kindness." Discuss in the light of worldviews.
- Consider the differences between meditation and being peaceful.
- *What defines wisdom?
- Why were all the sacred texts written so long ago and are they still relevant?





 (e.g. through secular music and poetry), as a form of expression. They learn why meditation and the teaching of compassion and mindfulness are central to Buddhism and how the Buddhist community use nature to transmit their prayers (e.g. prayer wheels). The ask how does the Buddhist mantra enhance worship and is meditation the same as praying. They experience meditation/stilling/silence and mindfulness as a form of worship sharing their thoughts and reflections by writing prayers, responses or meditation. Sources of Wisdom- Easter The significance of Salvation Salvation UC 2b.6 Spring 1: Identity and belonging; What does it mean to be part of a religious community? What is a community? What is a community? What is life like for religious leaders? What would Jesus, Dali Lama or other key religious figures say to the world today? Autumn Where do non-religious people find truth or sources of wisdom? Summer 2 change to 'belongong' 	
Spring 2	





 Prayer, worship and reflection; What are the different way that people worship through prayer? 1,2,3,4 What does prayer look like? 1. What would a modern-day prayer say? 2. Does silence have a place in belief? 3. How can you use mindfulness in faith? 4. What is a mandala and how is it used in prayer? Spring 1 5. How would you choose to reflect and pray? New Q 	





Year 6		
SUMMER TERM:		
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Sources of Wisdom



The children will have learnt about sacred texts from Christianity, Islam, Judaism, Sikhism and Hinduism. They will also be familiar with different religious stories with their intention being to share wisdom with its followers.

Pupils will have approached this strand of the RE curriculum from both a **secular and non-secular** viewpoint thus far. Children will also have had opportunities **to ask themselves what their responsibility is to humankind**.

Children will have had opportunities to explore questions about God, creation, life and death. This will have been explored through a religious viewpoint and sometimes through their own opinions and beliefs. They will not have explored the theme of the 'soul'.

Children will now be very familiar with the concept of **Justice and fairness** and will have had opportunity to discuss what is right and wrong, not only through their learning of RE, but also through **P4C**. Concepts such as right/wrong/just/fair will have been explored each year, sometimes cross referenced with what different religions have to say about this. Sacred texts and stories, their guidance and impact Pupils interpret and respond to a arrange of stories, sacred writing and sources of wisdom from the heart of different traditions and communities. They consider how they guide and what they communicate to followers (e.g. what can stories and images tell us about the inspiration for Buddhist beliefs?). They develop their understanding of key inspirational figures (e.g. Dalai Lama) as sources of wisdom and their contemporary relevance. They reflect on the impact of key sources of wisdom on individuals and different communities.

Human responsibility and values Taking responsibility for living together, values and respect

Pupils use local and national census statistics to develop an understanding of the religious makeup and diversity of their locality and of Britain. They consider what Jews, Humanists, Christians and Buddhists teach about how people can live together respectfully to create a perfect world. They develop their understanding of responsibility and social justice and question why and how we should care. Pupils respond thoughtfully to ideas about human responsibility for the environment and how religious and moral codes are acted upon. Pupils ask how the 'Golden Rule' is interpreted in the Humanist tradition and consider if following God can bring freedom and justice.

- What defines wisdom?
- Why were all the sacred texts written so long ago and are they still relevant?
- So what is God's plan?
- What does it mean to be human?
- Should religious buildings be sold to help solve world poverty?
- What footprint should we leave on the world?
- How can belief help in understanding what happens when someone dies?
- If God made the world, why isn't it perfect?
- Where does God reside? Is he everywhere, inside the heart, or far beyond this world?
- If there was room for a new religion in the world, what would it look like?
- Is heaven the same for all religions? How many heavens are there?
- What is meant by 'soul'?
- Why doesn't karma work for everyone?
- Are we responsible for each other; does helping others mean we should expect something in return?





(UC 2b.6 What did Jesus do to save human beings?) • **Ultimate questions** Different ideas about God and gods, creation and ultimate questions • Developing challenging and deeper questions about meaning, purpose and truth, pupils consider different perspectives on the questions of creation and the beginnings of life on Earth. Debating the relationships/conflict between creation and science. Pupils develop their understanding of different beliefs and perspectives abut God and life after death in religious and non-religious settings (e.g. what is meant by a 'soul?'), constructing answers to their own challenging questions. When God and theological concepts including life, death, and afterlife beliefs are rejected, they question what is truth and where do non-religious people find answers? This could be introduced through participation in a practical, expressive project such as NATRE Spirited Arts (www.natre.org,uk) (UC 2b.1 Digging Deeper: What does it mean if God is holy and loving? 2b.2 Digging Deeper: 'Creation and science' contradictory or complementary?)

- Should the law of the land affect the way religious people choose/chose to live their lives?
- "Deliver us from evil". Why is their evil in the world?
- Why isn't the world just and fair? How do you overcome evil and promote goodness?





Justice and fairness	
Reflecting on ethics, what is right and wrong, just	
and fair?	
Why isn't the world just and fair? Beyond religious	
guidance, pupils explore how people decide what is	
right and what is wrong and how they may choose to	
live. Pupils develop their thinking about why and	
how some people (from a religious and/or non-	
religious background) try to help others (e.g. victims	
of poverty, prejudice, crime and those affected by	
war).	
Focusing on the loves of children in pre-holocaust	
Europe, pupils reflect on the challenging moral	
choices made and the British humanitarian actions	
of the Kinder transport (children's rescue operation).	
Pupils consolidate their ideas about right and wrong,	
justice and fairness through different religious	
traditions. They ask how the Buddhist concepts of	
desire, suffering and compassion affect the choices	
of followers.	
(UC 2b.3 Digging Deeper: How can following God	
bring freedom and justice?)	
Summer 1: Human responsibility and values; - What	
does multi-faith Britain look like?	
What does multi-faith Britain look like and how can it	
be celebrated?	
1. What religious diversity is there today in	
Britain?	
2. What challenges do faiths have in practising	
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their religion today? Spring 1	





 What consideration would you make when designing a multi-faith reflection space? In what way was you multi faith space successful? Why are celebrations marked differently within the same family around the world, e.g. Christmas, Easter, Passover, Eid, Diwali autumn 2 	
<pre>there hardship in the world? Ultimate Questions: Is religion still important in the 21st century? Are religious teachings still relevant in the 21st Century? 1. If God is good, why is there hardship in the world?</pre>	
 Why do we remember the holocaust? What do Christianity, Buddhism and other religions teach us about hardship? How do Humanists interpret The Golden Rules? Should religions do more to look after our Earth? 	





What religious diversity is there today on Britain? What guidance do Buddhist stories give?	
How does the Buddhist concepts of desire,	
suffering and compassion affect the choices followers make?	
How can we use Art to explain the concept of a	
soul?	
Who is the Dali Lama and why is he important in	
history?	
Summer 2	
Where do non-religious people find truth or sources of wisdom?	
Why is there evil in the world?	
How do Humanists interpret The Golden Rules?	
If God is good, why is there hardship in the world? Why do we remember the holocaust?	
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	Christianity is taught compared to different religions within KS1.				Focus on Christianity and Islam	Focus on Christianity and Sikhism/Hinduism	Focus on Christianity and Judaism	Focus on Christianity ar Buddhism
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Autumn	-Celebrating joyous occasions- harvest -Exploring artefacts- dress &food	-Let me tell you a story -Exploring places, dress, food and music	-Being thankful/Harvest traditions -Giving to Charity	-Expressing religious meaning -Muslim prayer and action	-Marking festivals, traditions and key events in life -Symbolic expression in prayer &worship	-Marking festivals, pilgrimage, traditions and key events in life -Symbolic expression in prayer and worship	-Celebrations, key events inn life and pilgrimage. -Symbolic ways of expressing meaning	-Celebrations, ke events inn life. Symbolic ways of expressing meani -Exploring the
	-Celebrating Christmas	-Jesus' birthday story	-Festivals of light	-Festivals including Christmas.	Advent / Christmas traditions around the world.	Exploring the Trinity at Christmas- Incarnation	-Exploring the incarnation through the Christmas story	annunciation in a sacred and secula Christmas
Spring	-Celebrating belonging to a family/community	-Exploring wedding ceremonies	-Belonging to a family /community	-Different ways to thank God	-Belonging to a family, a community, challenges and	-Belonging to a community, individual commitment and	-Belonging to a community, individual	Belonging to a community, individual
	-Exploring places of prayer, worship &	-Creation, awe and wonder of the natural world	-Naming ceremonies -Using artefacts to	-Invite faith visitor or plan a visit	religious leadership. -Diff ideas about God and gods, creation &	religious leadership. -Diff ideas about God,	commitment and religious leadership. -Communicating	commitment and religious leadersh
	reflection -Exploring Easter story	-Remembering Jesus at Easter	explore prayer/worship	-The Lord's prayer -The Easter Story	ultimate questions -Communicating through sacred spaces and prayer	creation & ultimate questions -Communicating	beyond prayer and sacred spaces -Different ideas about God and gods,	-Communicating beyond prayer an sacred spaces
				-Shabbat and Passover	-Exploring lent, Holy Week and Salvation	through sacred spaces and prayer -Exploring Good Friday.	creation and ultimate questions -Exploring themes in the Last Supper	-The significance salvation.
Summer	-How do we show care/concern for each other?	-Sacred spaces, simple prayer and time to reflect	-Sacred texts- who reads them, when and why?	-Showing care and concern -Whose community?	-Sacred texts/stories, their guidance and Impact	-Sacred texts/stories, their guidance and Impact	-Sacred texts and stories, their guidance and impact. -Taking responsibility	-Sacred texts and stories, their guidance and impact.
	-What makes the world wonderful?	-Treating the world fairly -God and other big	-Faith stories -Big questions about God	-Who made the world and other big questions.	-Taking responsibility for living together, values and respect.	-Taking responsibility for living together, values and respect.	for living together, the world, values and respect. -Reflecting on ethics.	-Taking responsib for living together the world, values and respect.
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