

Yorke Mead Primary School RE Curriculum



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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.)



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EYFS

NURSERY: AUTUMN TERM		
Previous Learning To be reinforced	Core Learning Intentions Age Related Beliefs and Practises: Celebrating joyous occasions, harvest How 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)	 Extension Opportunities
	Symbols and Actions: Exploring artefacts, dress and food Talk about lifestyle, religious and cultural places and practices, dress food and music. Explore some religious artefacts through the senses showing respect for beliefs, 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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Previous Learning	Core Learning Intentions	Extension Opportunities
To be reinforced	Age Related	Next steps
	Identity and belonging Celebrating belonging to a family and community Develop curiosity and begin to ask questions about their own and other people's home and community life. How do people, including those from religious groups, celebrate belonging? For example, choose from Muslim Aqiqah, a Hindu, Humanist or Sikh naming ceremony. How do Hindu brothers and sisters show protection for one another at Raksha 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 reflection Experience 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?



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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?







AUTUMN TERM		
Previous Learning	Core Learning Intentions	Extension Opportunities
To be reinforced	Age Related	Next steps
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?



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RECEPTION: SPRING TERM

SPRING TERM		
Previous Learning	Core Learning Intentions	Extension Opportunities
To be reinforced	Age Related	Next steps
Children will have discussed how	Identity and belonging	What makes every single person unique
different religious groups	Exploring wedding ceremonies.	and precious?
celebrate. They may have explored	Explore what happens at a wedding and what is important about the	What promises do people make to one
some ceremonies that will have	ceremony. Invite the local vicar to talk about Church weddings and ask	another?
taken place in the family	about why some people get married in Church.	
household.	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.	
	(Share a Wedding Day Wish for Puddles by Gill Vaisey)	
Children in Nursery will have partly	Sources of Wisdom:	I wonder what happened before the
covered this in the Summer term	What is happening in the natural world this term? Notice and express	story started?
when looking at Ultimate	through art, music poetry and dance the feelings of awe and wonder that	I wonder what happened after the story
questions when they thought	come from the natural world.	ended?
about What makes the world so	Which natural things appear dead but are really alive?	 I wonder what the story is really about?
wonderful?	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 (<u>www.natre.org.uk</u>)	
	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?	
Children will have briefly learnt	Symbols and Actions:	Why light a candle?
about the Easter story in Nursery.	Easter	Why give/receive eggs at Easter?
	Which symbols are associated with Easter? What do Christians do at Easter	Why are some local buildings holy and
	to remind them of the story?	others not?





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

RECEPTION:
SUMMER TERM

SOMMER TERM		
Previous Learning	Core Learning Intentions	Extension Opportunities
To be reinforced	Age Related	Next steps
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?



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	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	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 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. Justice and fairness Explore a Christian (or other faith) charity that focuses on justice and fairness) 1. How and what are we 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? 	



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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. 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.) 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 Hinduism. 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?







SUMMER TERM		
Previous Learning	Core Learning Intentions	Extension Opportunities
To be reinforced	Age Related	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. 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. 1. What is a Creation story and what is the Christian Creation story? 2. Why should we look after all of the creatures in the world? 3. What is a faith story and how did Jesus try to teach people how to be a good Christian?	 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?







	4. What do Budhist stories teach?5. What is zakat and why is this important to Muslims?	
Conversations about God may have been covered during Christmas time where God is mentioned in many of the songs within the nativity play that the EY children perform.	Ultimate Questions: Big questions about God Explore themes from the spirited Arts Competition. (www.natre.org.uk). 1. Whose world is it? 2. Should everyone in the world take responsibility for looking after it? 3. Where is God? (UC God 1:1 4. What do Christians believe God is like? 5. Who made the world?	 What might heaven be like? Look at how different people have expressed their ideas about God. Think and share with others their own ideas about God. If you met Jesus, how would you describe him? If Jesus came to your town, where would he visit? Why? Pupils consider what people (religious and non-religious) believe happens to a
perform.	3. Where is God? (UC God 1:14. What do Christians believe God is like?	describe him?If Jesus came to your town, where would he visit? Why?Pupils consider what people (religion)

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?



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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

- 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?
- 5. Which events are Christians remembering and believing when they celebrate Christmas?

Autumn 2

- 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?

- 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?





Year	2:	
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SPRING TERM			
Previous Learning	Core Learning Intentions	Extension Opportunities	
To be reinforced	Age Related	Next steps	
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	 How do we say thank you? (prayers and poems) 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 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?

Year 2:		
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Children will have looked at Justice and fairness briefly in Autumn year 1 when looking at Giving to Charity.

Justice and fairness

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 Deeper)

- 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'?
- 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.
 Think and share with others their own ideas about God.
- If you met Jesus, how would you describe him?



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Human responsibility and Values — This is the first time this strand has come up in KS1, but children will have engaged in conversation about belonging to a community within P4C lessons and appreciating that people have different beliefs and opinions.

Ultimate questions was also covered in the Summer term of Year 1 when they looked at Who made the world and other big questions, the main difference being in Year 2 they are looking at specific faiths.

Who made the world (UC God 1:2 Digging Deeper)

How is the victory over good over evil expressed in a range of religions and world views? E.g. story of Diwali, Purim, Adhan.

What might heaven be like? Explore themes from the spirited Arts

competition (www.natre.org.uk)

Summer 1

- 1. Why is it important to look after our world?
- 2. How did prophet Muhammad (pbuh) teach us to look after the creatures of the world?
- 3. How do Christian stories teach right from wrong?
- 4. What is Christian Aid?
- 5. Why do we need rules?
- 6.

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?

- IF Jesus came to your town, where would he visit? Why?
- Pupils consider what people (religious and non-religious) believe happens to a person after they die.

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
To be reinforced	Age Related	Next steps
Beliefs and Practise has been	Beliefs and Practise	Why are there different ways of
covered in KS1, but in Year 3 they	Marking festivals, traditions and key events in life	marking the same life event?



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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.

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?

pilgrimage needs to have a spiritual connection.

Explore whether or not a place of

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







	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?	
Children will have covered Beliefs	Beliefs and practices	Why are there different ways of
and practises for the first 2 terms	Exploring Lent, Holy Week and Salvation	marking the same life event?
in KS1. This will have included	(UC 2a.5, Why do Christians call the day Jesus died Good Friday?)	 Explore whether or not a place of
Being thankful and Harvest	6. Why is the Mosque important as a place of worship?	pilgrimage needs to have a spiritual
traditions	7. Why is the Church important as a place of worship?	connection.
Muslim Prayer and action	8. How do key prayers inspire believers?	
The Easter Story in y1 and 2.	9. What are the key events of Lent, Holy Week and Salvation?	
	10. Why is the story of Easter an important Christian celebration	

Year 3:		
SUMMER TERM		
Previous Learning	Core Learning Intentions	Extension Opportunities
To be reinforced	Age Related	Next steps
Sources of wisdom was covered in	Sources of Wisdom	Why do psalms, poems, hymns and
Year 1 when briefly looking at	Sacred texts and stories, their guidance and impact	stories affect followers in different
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.	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?)	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 people in their choices of what is right and wrong. There will also	Justice and fairness Right and wrong, Just and fair. Pupils learn about justice and fairness through the work of development charities (Christian Aid, Islamic Relief, Oxfam or their local religious charity 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	 Who decides what is right and what is wrong? Does fairness mean everyone gets the same? What does Hindu thought teach about equality? What does it say about





have been some discussion about	other (e.g. Zaccheus the tax Collector and Widow's Mite) They reflect on	differences, for example between
individual and collective rules.	who decides what is right and wrong.	people?
	1. What rules different communities follow about care for each other	Discuss Ghandi's statement 'You must
	and the world?	be the change you want to see in the
	2. What is our responsibility for the world and each other?	world.'
	3. Do I understand faith and justice through the work of development	
	charities?	
	4. Can I identify faith and justice through faith stories?	

Year 4 MAIN RELIGIONS COVERED IN Y4: CHRITIANITY and HINDUISM/SIKHISM			
AUTUMN TERM:			
Previous Learning To be reinforced The children looked at Beliefs and practices and key events in life within Year 3 which also included marking festivals within Christianity and Islam, but in Year 4 it extends to pilgrimage choosing 2 faiths between Hinduism or Sikhism and	Core Learning Intentions Age Related Beliefs and practices Recognise key similarities and differences between Christianity and Hinduism. Understand what Hindu's and Christians believe about God. Christian and Hindu pilgrimage Investigate Hindu Gods -	Next steps 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.	
Christianity. Children in Y3 covered Symbols and actions where they explored ways and traditions of celebrating different festivals which included Eid, Easter and Christmas as well as marking important key events in birth welcoming ceremonies.	Marking festivals, pilgrimage, traditions and key events in life. Looking at 2 contrasting religions (Hinduism or Sikhism and Christianity,) pupils describe different ways and traditions of celebrating festivals (e.g. Vaisakhi, Diwali) and marking important events in life. They explore the inner meaning behind the key 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.	 How can art, architecture and artefacts and icons express meaning beyond words? When do actions and expressions of belief show commitment? 	





Covered in Summer term of Year 3,	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. Sources of Wisdom-	Why do psalms, poems, hymns and
children looked at Sources of wisdom within sacred texts focusing on Christianity and Islam.	Exploring the Trinity at Christmas- Incarnation (UC 2a.3 What is the Trinity?) Autumn 1 1. What are the key beliefs symbols in Hinduism? 2. What are the similarities and differences between Christianity and Hinduism? 3. What is the belief of Samsara, Karma and Moksha? 4. What is the Hindu view of God? 5. What are Hindu and Christians beliefs about God and what happens when we die? Autumn 2 1. What is a pilgrimage and what key pilgrimages might Christians and muslims take and why? 2. What is the significance of architecture and artefacts in the Muslim faith? 3. Why are church rooves shaped like a boat? 4. What is the holy trinity in Christianity?	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?





5. How can I create a Christmas message through story
telling.

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SPRING TERM:		
Previous Learning	Core Learning Intentions	Extension Opportunities
To be reinforced	Age Related	Next steps
Children learning about Identity and belonging in Y3 focused closely on 'community' and ways individuals expressed their own faith or belief commitments. Children will have explored the five pillars in Islam and also looked at the religious leadership of Muhammad and Jesus and an Imam or Vicar.	-	• •





of foll arc co be Su the Ch we In cree Ch lea	a special place for worship for its llowers. They will have delved into the chitecture and design which might ntribute to the overall experience of a liever. They will have looked at the first rah in the Qur'an (Surah al Hamd) and e Lord's Prayer. A children will have learnt about Lent, Holy eek and Salvation in year 3. Year 3 children looked at Ultimate lestions in addressing that there will be lestions that we do not have answers to ley will also have looked at different leation stories (mainly focused on aristianity and Islam). They will also have learnt attributes of God by looking at the mames of Allah within the Islamic faith.	 How does a Sikh show their faith and commitment? (5 K's) What are the qualities of sharing and equality in Sikhism Spring 2 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 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? 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 connection.
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Year 4 SUMMER TERM

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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, ahimsaharmlessness) 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.

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 faith stories?

(The milk and the jasmine and the flower)

5. How can we see justice and fairness in a Christian parable and a sikh parable?
The Emperor and the Langar and Zacheus the Tax Collecter.

Summer 2

- 1. How do Faiths show their responsibility to the world? (Langar, Charities, Equality)
- 2. How can I express my commitment to fairness and equality?
- 3. Does justice and fairness mean everyone has the same?
- 4. What is my responsibility to the world?
- 5. Does having a faith make you a better person?



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UPPER KEY STAGE 2 (Years 5 and 6)

Year 5	MAIN RELIGIONS COVERED IN Y5: CHRISTIANITY AND J	IUDAISM	
AUTUMN TERM:	AUTUMN TERM:		
Previous Learning	Core Learning Intentions	Extension Opportunities	
To be reinforced	Age Related	Next steps	
Children will have looked at celebrating	Beliefs and Practices	Is Christmas only for Christians?	
festivals. In Year 4 they looked at Sikh	Celebrations, key events in life and pilgrimage.	 Why is pilgrimage seen as an 	
and birth traditions.	I can explore what it means to live as a Christian/Jew in Britain today,	outward and an inward spiritual	
Also, the children will have also looked	considering internal diversity.	journey?	
generally at how the same event can be		 Why are celebrations marked 	
marked in different ways, and this is	I can reflect on spiritual ways of celebrating the same and different	differently within the same family?	
continued in Year 5.	festivals (Advent/Christmas).	For example, Christmas,	
In Year 4, children will have also touched	I can learn about diverse responses to sacred rituals (e.g. Shabbat) and	Easter/Passover/Eid/Diwali around	
on different pilgrimages that followers	rites of passage in different traditions.	the world	
from different faiths embark.	I can make connections and develop an understanding of spiritual	How can God be different things to	
	journeys and the importance of pilgrimage for believers.	different people?	
	Autumn 1		
	 What does it mean to be a Christian/Jew in Britain today? 		
	2. What are spiritual ways of celebrating Advent and Christmas?		
	3. What is the importance of Shabat?		
	4. What are the rites of passage in different traditions?		
	5. What is the role of food in religion?		
This strand was covered last in the	Symbols and actions	 How can the use of wine have a 	
Autumn term of Year 4. They will have	Symbolic ways of expressing meaning	powerful symbolic place in some	
learnt how certain actions in worship are		faiths, yet not permitted in others?	
symbolic and can communicate a faith			



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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'.

Children may also have looked at the Hindu relationships with their deities and the power of religious symbols such as art and architecture.

Children will be familiar with the Easter story from KS1 and Jesus' death and resurrection from Year 4 through the Beliefs and Practices strand of the RE curriculum.

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

I can exploring the incarnation through the Christmas story (UC2b.4 Was Jesus the Messiah?)

Autumn 2

- 1. What is symbolism of light and why it is important in faith?
- 2. How is religious faith communicated through the creative arts?
- 3. What religious and symbolic artefacts are used in prayer?
- 4. Does a pilgrimage have to be religious
- 5. What is the incarnation and why it is important in the Christmas story?

- 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?
- 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?

Year 5 SPRING TERM:

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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 history.	returned today, where would they go? What would they do?



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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 www.nate.org.uk

(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?





I can explore themes in the last supper Spring 1 1. What are the stories of Moses/Jesus and what key events today do they teach us about? 2. What is Shabbat and Kosher and what challenges does it present for modern-day lives? 3. What is a sacred space and how does it help to communicate with God? 4. How does belonging to a faith have many different interpretations? 5. How do leaders impact the lives of followers? Spring 2 1. How are artefacts used in Jewish prayer? 2. Is God real? 3. How can views of heaven be explored through Art? 4. What does life after death mean for Jews and Christians? 5. What are the themes in the Last Supper?	 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?





Year 5	
SUMMER TERM	ĺ

SUMMER TERM:		
Previous Learning	Core Learning Intentions	Extension Opportunities
To be reinforced	Age Related	Next steps
	•	 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?
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.	Human responsibility and values Taking responsibility for living together, values and respect I can understand that people live together for the wellbeing of all? 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?)	 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?







	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 a pilgrimage? Summer 2 1. What are the social and environmental responsibilities of a Christian and a Jew? 2. What is Tikkun Olam and what are the golden rules? 3. What is Tezedakah and what is the impact on community? 4. Are faith parables always fair? 5. Is God real?	
Year 6 AUTUMN TERM:	MAIN RELIGIONS COVERED IN Y6: CHRISTIANITY AND B	BUDDHISM
Previous Learning To be reinforced	Core Learning Intentions Age Related	Extension Opportunities Next steps



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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 already be familiar with the Christmas story and different religious concepts of the Christian faith relating to Jesus' birth and death.

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).

Beliefs and Practices

Exploring the annunciation in a sacred and secular Christmas.

(UC2b.4 Digging Deeper – Was Jesus the Messiah?)

Autumn 1

- 1. What are the key features of Buddhism and Christianity?
- 2. What does it mean to take your religion or world view seriously?
- 3. What are the key symbols in Christianity and Buddhism?
- 4. What does Christmas mean to Christians?
- 5. How does wine have a powerful symbolic place in faith?

Autumn 2

1. What would Jesus, Dali Lama or other key religious figures say to the world today?

- 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?
 - 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







2. Who would be a modern-day prophet or saint? 3. Is God different to everyone? 4. Why are celebrations marked differently within the same family around the world, e.g. Christmas, Easter, Passover, Eid, Diwali	
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Year 6 SPRING TERM:		
Previous Learning	Core Learning Intentions	Extension Opportunities
To be reinforced	Age Related	Next steps



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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 meditations suited to a particular occasion and tradition.

Sources of Wisdom- Easter The significance of Salvation Salvation UC 2b.6

Spring 1

- 1. What is a community?
- 2. What is life like for religious leaders?
- 3. What is a mandala and how is it used in prayer?
- 4. What did Jesus do to save human beings?
- 5. What challenges do faiths have in practising their religion today?

Spring 2

- 1. What would a modern-day prayer say?
- 2. What defines wisdom?
- 3. What consideration would you make when designing a multi-faith reflection space?
- 4. Does silence have a place in belief?
- 5. How can you use mindfulness in faith?







Year 6 SUMMER TERM:		
Previous Learning	Core Learning Intentions	Extension Opportunities
To be reinforced	Age Related	Next steps



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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.

Sources of Wisdom

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?



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(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?



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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

- 1. What religious diversity is there today on Britain?
- 2. What guidance do Buddhist stories give?
- 3. How does the Buddhist concepts of desire, suffering and compassion affect the choices followers make?







 4. How can we use Art to explain the concept of a soul? 5. Who is the Dali Lama and why is he important in history? Summer 2 1. Where do non-religious people find truth or sources of wisdom? 2. Why is there evil in the world? 3. How do Humanists interpret The Golden Rules? 4. If God is good, why is there hardship in the world? 5. Why do we remember the holocaust? 	
Rules?	







	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 and Buddhism	
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Autumn	-Celebrating joyous occasions- harvest	-Let me tell you a story	-Being thankful/Harvest traditions	-Expressing religious meaning	-Marking festivals, traditions and key events in life	-Marking festivals, pilgrimage, traditions and key events in life	-Celebrations, key events inn life and pilgrimage.	-Celebrations, key events inn lifeSymbolic ways of
	-Exploring artefacts- dress &food	-Exploring places, dress, food and music	-Giving to Charity	-Muslim prayer and action	-Symbolic expression in prayer &worship Advent / Christmas	-Symbolic expression in prayer and worship Exploring the Trinity at	-Symbolic ways of expressing meaning -Exploring the	expressing meaning -Exploring the annunciation in a
	-Celebrating Christmas	-Jesus' birthday story	-Festivals of light	-Festivals including Christmas.	traditions around the world.	Christmas- Incarnation	incarnation through the Christmas story	sacred and secular Christmas
Spring	-Celebrating belonging to a	-Exploring wedding ceremonies	-Belonging to a family /community	-Different ways to thank God	-Belonging to a family, a community,	-Belonging to a community, individual	-Belonging to a community,	Belonging to a community,