Religious Education Whole School Overview



	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Reception	Special Places and Festivals/Belonging 1.4b Identify and ask questions about customs associated with focus religious communities.	The birth of Jesus 1.1b Explore stories about the lives and teachings of key religious figures and inspirational figures.	Relationships, promises and church wedding celebrations 1.3b Identify symbolic actions, gestures and rituals and talk about how they are used as part of worship and ceremonies	Easter celebrations 1.1c Find out about ways in which sacred texts are regarded, read and handled by believers.	Caring for creation 1.5a Ask and respond imaginatively to questions about things that are interesting or puzzling in the world.	Helping others 1.4a Hear and respond to stories about belonging to a family or group including religious communities.
Year 1	Caring 1.6b Listen to examples of care and concern shown by communities including religious communities and explore the reasons for these actions	Belonging 1.4c Find out about ceremonies in which special moments in the life cycle are marked.	Celebrations 1.2b Explore the preparations for and find out about the celebration of festivals.	Families 1.5b Listen to and ask questions about stories of individuals, special people and those who have a relationship with God.	Answers 1.1a Engage with stories and extracts from religious literature and talk about their meanings.	Worship 1.2a Find out about how and when people worship and ask questions about why this is important to believers.
Year 2	Caring for the natural world 1.6c Explore stories from religious and cultural traditions and find out about attitudes to the natural world	Valuing new life 1.3c Engage with religious beliefs and ideas expressed through story, symbol and other visual forms of expression	Worship and ceremonies 1.3b Identify symbolic actions, gestures and rituals and talk about how they are used as part of worship and ceremonies	Belonging to a group 1.2c Identify the importance for some people of belonging to a religion or a community group and recognise the difference this makes to their lives	Storytelling through sacred writings 1.5c Explore a range of stories and extracts from sacred writings and talk about meaning they have for believers	Showing kindness and goodness 1.6a Listen and respond to stories highlighting the morals and values of all

Year 3	Exploring living by rules 2.6a Explore rules for living for all, but especially those found in sacred writings and teachings and ask questions about their impact on the lives of believers	Religion in the home 2.2a Compare and contrast the practice of religion in the home in different religious communities	Symbols of worship 2.3c Compare and contrast the use of symbols, actions and gestures used in worship by different communities	Sharing special food 2.2c Investigate some features of key religious festivals and celebrations and identify similarities and differences	The beginning of the World 2.1d Explore the meaning of a wide range of stories about the beginnings of the world and reflect upon their importance for believers	Religious Leaders 2.1c Explore the life of key religious figures and make links with teachings and practices of special significance to followers
Year 4	Environment: Harvest 2.6d Explore religious/cultural stories and teachings about the environment and identify and reflect their impact on behaviour	Landmarks in life 2.4d Investigate the importance of ceremonies in which special moments in the life cycle are marked	Commitment: Lent 2.6c Engage with a variety of people about their beliefs and values and ask questions about the way commitment affects their lives	Study of a chosen religion 2.4c Research some key events in the development of a religious tradition and explain the impact on believers today	Thinking about God 2.3d Identify some of the ways in which religions name and describe attributes of God and make links with belief and practice	Features and patterns of worship 2.2b Identify the main features and patterns of an act of worship and talk about the importance of worship for believers
Year 5	Sacred writings: Hindu Dharma 2.1b Explore a variety of forms of literature found in sacred books and investigate a range of religious teachings	Peace 2.3a Explore the symbolic use of a wide range of objects, sounds, visual images, actions and gestures and make suggestions as to the intended meaning they might have for believers and non-believers	Religious diversity: happiness 2.4a Explore the diversity of a range of religious traditions and identify and reflect on similarities and differences	Easter: suffering and hardship 2.5b Investigate and reflect upon a range of religious responses to suffering, hardship and death	Wise words 2.1a Explore the origins of sacred writings and consider their importance for believers today	Values and beliefs 2.2d Investigate the life of a person who has been inspired by their faith and make links between belief and action

Year 6	Commitment	Words of wisdom	Taking part	Belief in action	The importance of	Justice: rich and poor
	2.6b	2.3b	2.4b	2.5d	hope	2.5c
	Investigate ceremonies	Explore the meaning of	Find out about the	Make links between	2.5a	Investigate stories
	associated with joining	stories drawn from	activities of a local	beliefs and action and	Raise questions about	about God's relationship
	or belonging to a faith	religious sources and	religious community and	reflect how this might	issues which cause	with people and suggest
	or community and talk	reflect upon the	make links with key	have local, national and	people to wonder and	how, for some people,
	about the meaning of	significance of key	religious teachings	international impact	investigate some	this helps them to make
	commitment	words, phrases or		·	answers to be found in	sense of life
		expressions			religious writings and	
		·			teachings	

Key Stage One (KSI)

Dimension	Curriculum Pupils should	Curriculum Opportunities Pupils should have the opportunity to:	rtunity to:
Beliefs, teachings and sources	Engage with stories and extracts from religious literature and talk about their meanings -	Explore stories about the lives and teachings of key religious figures - 1.1b	Find out about ways in which sacred texts are regarded, read and understood by believers - 1.1c
Practices and ways of life	Find out about how and when people worship and ask questions about why this is important to believers - 1.2a	Explore the preparations for and find out about the celebration of festivals 1.2b	Identify the importance for some people of belonging to a religion and recognise the difference this makes to their lives - 1.2c
Expressing meaning	Explore as appropriate the special nature of artefacts used in worship -1.3a	Identify symbolic actions, gestures and rituals and talk about how they are used as part of worship and ceremonies - 1.3b	Engage with religious beliefs and ideas expressed through story, symbols and other visual forms of expression - 1.3c
Identity, diversity and belonging	Reflect and respond to stories about belonging and relating to religious communities and non-religious ways of life-1.4a	Identify and ask questions about customs associated with particular religious and non-religious ways of life-1.4b	Find out about ceremonies in which special moments in life are marked-1.4c
Meaning, purpose and truth	Ask and respond to questions about things that are interesting or puzzling in the world-1.5a	Listen to and ask questions about stories of individuals and their relationship with God - 1.5b	Explore a range of stories and extracts from sacred writings and talk about the meaning they have for believers - 1.5c
Values and commitment	Reflect and respond to stories highlighting the morals and values in practice- 1.6a	Reflect on examples of care and concern shown by believers in religious communities and non-religious ways of life and explore reasons for these actions-1.6b	Explore stories from religious traditions and findout about attitudes to the natural world-1.6c

Key Stage Two (KS2)

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Dimension	Curriculun Pupils shou	Curriculum Opportunities Pupils should have the opportunity to:	ties opportunity	to:
	Explore the	Explore a variety	Explore the life of	Explore the
Beliefs,	origins of	of forms of	key religious and	meaning of a wide
teachings	sacred writings	literature found in	inspirational	about the
and	and consider	sacred books and investigate a	figures making links where	beginnings of the
	importance for	range of religious	appropriate, with	upon their
	believers today -	teachings - 2.1b	teachings and	importance for believers and
	5.1a		special	non-believers -
			significance to followers - 2.1c	
Practices and	Compare and contrast the	Identify the main features and patterns of an act	Investigate some features of key	Investigate the life of a person who has been inspired
ways of life	practice of religion in the	of worship and talk about the	religious festivals and celebrations	by their faith and make links
	home in different	importance of worship for	and identify similarities and	between belief and action – 2.2d
	religious communities -	believers – 2.2b	differences – 2.2c	
	2.2a			
	Explore the	Explore the meaning of	Compare and	Identify some of the ways in which
Expressing meaning	a wide range of	stories drawn from religious	of symbols,	some religions name and
	objects, sounds, visual	sources and reflect on the	actions and	describe attributes of God
	images, actions	significance of key	worship by	and make links
	and gestures.	expressions -	different	practice. 2.3d
	Make suggestions as	2.3b	communities –	
	to the intended		į	
	meaning they			
	might have for			
	Explore the	Find out about	Research some	Investigate the
Identity,	diversity of a	the activities of a	key events in the	importance for
diversity and	range of	local religious or	development of a	believers of
pelonging	religious traditions and	community group and make links	religious or non- religious tradition	ceremonies in which special

	world views and identify and reflect on similarities and differences - 2.4a	with key religious and explain the teachings or impact on moral codes communities (British Values). today 2.4c	and explain the impact on communities today 2.4c	moments in life are marked 2.4d
Meaning, purpose and truth	Raise questions about issues which cause people to wonder. Investigate some answers to be found in religious writings and teachings and world views- 2.5a	Investigate and reflect on a range of religious and world view responses to suffering, hardship and death- 2.5b	Investigate stories about God's relationship with people and suggest how, for some people this helps them to make sense of life -2.5c	Make links between beliefs and actions and reflect on how link might have local, national and international impact- 2.5d
Values and commitments	Explore rules for Investigate living found in ceremonie sacred writings associated and teachings joining or and ask belonging to questions about community their impact- Talk about 2.6a commitmen 2.6b	Investigate ceremonies associated with joining or belonging to a community. Talk about the meaning of commitment-	Engage with a variety of people about their beliefs and values and ask questions about the way commitment affects their lives-	Explore religious stories and world views about the environment and identify and reflect on their impact on all-