



Year 8 Curriculum Overview

Half Term 1	
Date	How are Muslims inspired by their beliefs?
WC 02/09	Introduction to Year 8 (expectations, standards, baseline and review of inspiration).
WC 09/09	What is the Shahadah and how does it inspire Muslims? (RE words of the fortnight)
WC 16/09	What are the 5 Pillars of Islam and how do they affect a Muslims daily life?
WC 23/09	What happens during Hajj and why is it important to Muslims? RE words of the fortnight
WC 30/09	What is Salah?
WC 07/10	Zakat and Ummah? RE words of the fortnight
WC 14/10	Close Gaps and Revision
Half Term 2	
Date	Curriculum Overview How was the Prophet Muhammad Inspired and how does he inspire others?
WC 04/11	Assessment: How do the 5 Pillars unite the Ummah?
WC 11/11	Feedback, DIRT and Pupil Voice
WC 18/11	Who is the Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) RE words of the fortnight
WC 25/11	How was the Prophet Muhammad inspired by the events of Lilat-UI-Qadr (PBUH)?
WC 02/12	Exploration of some of the stereotypes about Islam in the media RE words of the fortnight
WC 09/12	Exploration of the Qur'an and some of its key teachings, how do these challenge our views?
WC 16/12	Who is Malala and how was she inspired to fight the Taliban because of her Islamic faith? RE words of the fortnight
Half Term 3	
Date	Where do Buddhists find guidance?
WC 06/01	The Golden Dove Award - Who is the most inspirational person we have studied and why do they get your award?
WC 13/01	Teacher Assessed Award Speech and DIRT
WC 20/01	Book of Truth (Baseline Buddhism) RE words of the fortnight
WC 27/01	Introduction to suffering
WC 03/02	Quick 6. Three Universal Truths RE words of the fortnight
WC 10/02	Four Noble Truths
WC 17/02	Introduction to the 8 Fold Path RE words of the fortnight
Half Term 4	
Date	Curriculum Overview Where do Hindus and Buddhists find guidance?
WC 24/02	Consolidation of the 8 Fold Path and Santavaji
WC 02/03	Revision
WC 09/03	Assessment: Application of the 8 Fold Path
WC 16/03	Feedback (DIRT) and pupil voice
WC 23/03	How do Buddhists use mediation? (Baseline for Hinduism) RE words of the fortnight
WC 30/03	What is the Trimurti and what does it teach Hindus about the order of the universe.
Half Term 5	
Date	Curriculum Overview What is duty and how do we deal with competing duties?
WC 20/04	What is the Caste System? RE words of the fortnight
WC 27/04	Who is Gandhi and how did he challenge the Caste System?
WC 05/05	How do the principles of dharma, samsara and moksha affect the lives of Hindus? RE words of the fortnight
WC 11/05	What is Just War in Hinduism? RE words of the fortnight
WC 18/05	The Story of Arjuna a conflict of duty
Half Term 6	
Date	Curriculum Overview Is it ever right to fight?
WC 01/06	Should Arjuna fight? Would Gandhi challenge this? RE words of the fortnight
WC 08/06	Revision
WC 15/06	End of Year Assessment
WC 22/06	Feedback (DIRT) and pupil voice
WC 29/06	What is our highest duty and how do we know we are making the right choices? RE words of the fortnight
WC 06/07	Can killing the few ever be justified to save the many? A Utilitarian argument
WC 13/07	Reviews of the year

- ✓ RE words of the fortnight will check students' understanding of three key terms within their study of religion and will be completed at the start of the lesson.
- ✓ Knowledge quizzes will be completed every three to four weeks and will ask students to answer questions based both on their short-term and long-term learning in order to make links to prior learning, check progress and interleave topics to ensure the construction of a continuously evolving religious literacy.