



# Our RE Curriculum



The **principal aim of RE** is to engage pupils in systematic enquiry into significant human questions which religion and worldviews address, so that they can develop the understanding and skills needed to appreciate and appraise varied responses to

	Autumn Term		Spring Term		Summer Term	
	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Reception	<p>Where do we belong?</p> 	<p>Which stories are special and why?</p> 	<p>Which people are special and why?</p> 	<p>Which places are special and why?</p> 	<p>Which times are special and why?</p> 	<p>What is special about our world?</p> 
Year 1	<p>Who is a Christian and what do they believe?</p> 	<p>What makes some places sacred?</p> 	<p>What does it mean to belong to a faith community?</p> 	<p>How and why do we celebrate special and sacred times?</p> 	<p>How should we care for others in the world and why does it matter?</p> 	
Year 2	<p>What can we learn from sacred books?</p> 	<p>The Christmas Story</p> 	<p>Who is a Muslim and what do they believe?</p> 	<p>How and why do we celebrate special and sacred times?</p> 	<p>Who is Jewish and what do they believe?</p> 	
Year 3	<p>What do different people believe about God?</p> 	<p>Why is the Bible important for Christians today?</p> 	<p>Why do people pray?</p> 	<p>How do people from religious and non-religious communities celebrate key festivals?</p> 	<p>What does it mean to be a Christian in Britain today?</p> 	
Year 4	<p>Why is Jesus inspiring to some people?</p> 	<p>Why are festivals important to religious communities?</p> 	<p>Why do some people think that life is a journey? What significant experiences mark this?</p> 	<p>What does it mean to be a Hindu in Britain today?</p> 	<p>How do family life and festivals show what matters to Jewish people?</p> 	
Year 5	<p>Why do some people believe God exists?</p> 	<p>What would Jesus do? Can we live by the values of Jesus in the twenty-first century?</p> 	<p>What does it mean to be a Muslim in Britain today?</p> 	<p>If God is everywhere, why go to a place of worship?</p> 	<p>Green religion? How and why should religious communities do more to care for the Earth?</p> 	
Year 6	<p>What do religions say to us when life gets hard?</p> 	<p>Is it better to express your religion in arts and architecture or in charity and generosity?</p> 	<p>What difference does it make to believe in Ahimsa, Grace and Ummah?</p> 	<p>What matters most to Christians and Humanists?</p> 	<p>What can be done to reduce racism? Can religion help?</p> 	

# Reception

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Key Question	Where do we belong?	Which stories are special and why?	Which people are special and why?	Which places are special and why?	Which times are special and why?	What is special about our world?
Strand	Living	Believing	Believing	Expressing	Expressing	Living
Religions and world views	Christians Hindus Muslims	Christians	Christians Sikhs	Christians Muslims	Christians Hindus Jewish people	Christians Muslims Jewish people
Questions to explore	<p>What makes us feel special? What makes Christians feel special to God?</p> <p>How do Christians know that children are special to God?</p> <p>What groups do we belong to? How do we know we belong to a group? What groups do religious people belong to?</p> <p>How do we show people they are welcomed? How are babies welcomed into the Christian family?</p> <p>How is a baby welcomed into the Muslim religion?</p> <p>How do Hindu brothers and sisters show their love for each other at a festival?</p>	<p>What is your favourite story? What do you like about it, and why?</p> <p>Do you know any Bible stories? What stories do you know that are special to Christians? What do you think Jesus was (is) like?</p> <p>What stories are special to Christians? What happens in a story from the Bible? Does the story tell you about God? What do you learn?</p> <p>What stories do you know that are special to Christians (or other faiths)? Who are the stories about? What do you learn?</p> <p>What stories do you know that are special to Muslims? Who are the stories about? What happens in the story? Does the story tell you about God?</p> <p>What is the holy book for Muslims?</p> <p>What are the similarities and differences between different people's special stories?</p>	<p>Who is special to you and why?</p> <p>Why are some people special?</p> <p>What story do Sikhs tell about a special person?</p> <p>What is a good friend like? How did Jesus make some very special friends?</p> <p>What can a Christian learn from actions in a story?</p> <p>What story shows Jesus being a friend and caring for others?</p>	<p>Where is special to me?</p> <p>Where is a special place for Christians to go?</p> <p>Where is a special place for Muslims to go? What makes a church special?</p> <p>Where is a holy place for Muslims to go?</p> <p>Where is a special place for Muslims to go? What makes a mosque special?</p> <p>What is important in a church and a mosque? How are holy buildings similar and different?</p> <p>What is needed to make a truly special place of our own?</p>	<p>What special times have you had? What do other people celebrate?</p> <p>What happens at Sukkot and why?</p> <p>What story do Hindu people remember at Diwali? What happens at Diwali and why?</p> <p>What happens at Christmas, and why?</p> <p>What can we say about Christmas, Diwali and Sukkot?</p>	<p>What are our favourite things about nature?</p> <p>Why do some people say the world is special? What do you think is special about the world?</p> <p>What story do Christians tell about how the creation of the world?</p> <p>How can we tell the Christian story of creation?</p> <p>What stories do Muslim people tell about God's creation?</p> <p>How does Prophet Muhammad show Muslims how to behave in the story of Muhammad and the Kittens?</p> <p>Is our world 'very good'?</p>
Assessment						
Visits and Visitors						

# Year 1

	Autumn Term		Spring Term		Summer Term	
	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Key Question	Who is a Christian and what do they believe?	What makes some places sacred?	What does it mean to belong to a faith community?		How and why do we celebrate special and sacred times?	How should we care for others in the world and why does it matter?
Strand	Believing	Expressing	Living		Expressing	Living
Religions and world views	Christians	Christians Muslims Jewish People	Christians Muslims Jewish People		Christians Muslims Jewish People	Christians Muslims Jewish People
Questions to explore	<p>Who is a Christian and what do they believe?</p> <p>What do Christians believe about God?</p> <p>What does the Bible teach us about God?</p> <p>Why is Jesus important to Christians?</p> <p>What do the miracles of Jesus teach us about what is important to Christians?</p> <p>Why do Christians pray?</p>	<p>Where do I feel safe? Where is a sacred place for believers to go?</p> <p>Which place of worship is sacred for Christians?</p> <p>Which place of worship is sacred for Jewish people?</p> <p>Which place of worship is sacred for Muslims?</p> <p>How are places of worship similar and different?</p> <p>How can music sometimes help believers in worship?</p>	<p>Do we all belong to something?</p> <p>How do Christians show they belong?</p> <p>How do Muslims know that they belong?</p> <p>How do Jewish people show they belong together as a community?</p> <p>How do Christians and Muslims welcome a new baby?</p> <p>How do some people show they belong to one another?</p>		<p>What do you celebrate and why? What stories do your family tell?</p> <p>What happened at Easter and how does it make people feel?</p> <p>How do Christians celebrate Easter?</p> <p>What matters most at Easter?</p>	<p>Should we care for everyone?</p> <p>What do Christians believe about caring for people?</p> <p>What do some religions say about caring for other people?</p> <p>How have some people shown they cared? How is the golden rule an encouragement to care?</p> <p>What stories do Christians and Jewish people tell about the beginning of the world and how to treat the world?</p>
Assessment	Mystery Bag	Community Poster  Big questions book				Ask the pupils to create something: a poem, some writing a poster, drama or art to answer the unit question
Visits and Visitors						
	Rector Rebecca	Church				

# Year 2

	Autumn Term		Spring Term		Summer Term	
	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
<b>Key question</b>	What can we learn from sacred books?	The Christmas Story	Who is a Muslim and what do they believe?		How and why do we celebrate special and sacred times?	Who is Jewish and what do they believe?
<b>Strand</b>	Believing		Believing		Expressing	Believing
<b>Religions and world views</b>	Christians Muslims Jewish People		Muslims		Christians Muslims Jewish People	Jewish people
<b>Questions to explore</b>	<p>What stories are special to us? What is a holy book?</p> <p>What did Jesus teach about God in a story?</p> <p>What did Jesus say about how to treat others?</p> <p>How are holy books treated?</p> <p>What story is special for Jewish people in the Torah?</p> <p>Which story do Muslims tell about the Prophet Muhammad?</p> <p>What can be learnt from the story of Jonah? What is special about Jonah?</p>		<p>What do people think about God?</p> <p>Who was the Prophet Muhammad, and why is he important to Muslims?</p> <p>What stories of the Prophet do Muslims love to tell?</p> <p>What makes a place or an object special to us? And to Muslims?</p> <p>What is a mosque, and what happens at a mosque?</p> <p>How and why do Muslims pray and worship at the mosque?</p> <p>Mosques near where we live: What can we find out?</p> <p>What can we learn from Muslim holy words?</p> <p>What happens at the celebration of Eid-ul-Fitr, and why?</p>		<p>What do you celebrate and why? What stories do your family tell?</p> <p>How do Christians celebrate Easter?</p> <p>Why do Jewish people tell the story of Passover (Pesach) every year?</p> <p>What do Muslims celebrate at Id-ul-Fitr?</p> <p>How and why do people celebrate special and holy times?</p>	<p>What is precious to us? What is precious to Jewish people?</p> <p>What does a mezuzah remind Jewish people about?</p> <p>How and why do Jewish people celebrate Shabbat?</p> <p>What does the story of Chanukah make us think about? How do Jewish people think about miracles at Chanukah?</p>
<b>Assessment</b>	What can people learn from sacred books?		What matters to Muslims? What matters to me?		What is the difference between something being special and something being holy?	
<b>Visits and Visitors</b>						
		Synagogue	Mosque			

# Year 3

	Autumn Term		Spring Term		Summer Term	
	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Key question	What do different people believe about God?	Why is the Bible important for Christians today?	Why do people pray?		How do people from religious and non-religious communities celebrate key festivals?	What does it mean to be a Christian in Britain today?
Strand	Believing	Believing	Expressing		Expressing	Living
Religions and world views	Christians Hindus Muslims	Christians	Christians Hindus Muslims		Christians Jewish People	Christians
Questions to explore	<p>'Seeing is Believing' – is it? What do I think about believing in God?</p> <p>What do Christians believe about God?</p> <p>What do the stories of Moses and the Burning Bush and of Saint Paul's conversion tell us about God in Christianity?</p> <p>What do Muslims believe about Allah?</p> <p>What do Muslims believe about the Holy Quran, Allah's gift to humanity?</p> <p>How do Hindu people show what they believe about gods and goddesses?</p> <p>Why are three of the gods of the Hindu way especially important?</p> <p>What difference does it make to life if you believe there is no God? Finding out about Humanism</p> <p>What are the similarities and differences between different ideas about God?</p>	<p>Do we all need wisdom on the journey of life? How do Christians find and use ancient wisdom from the Bible?</p> <p>The Bible is a big book. How is it put together? Why is it so popular?</p> <p>What does the Bible teach Christian people about God, life, the universe and everything?</p> <p>How do Christians use Bible stories such as a story of creation to inspire drama, music, art or dance?</p> <p>How can the Bible help people if they are tempted to do wrong things?</p> <p>Can Bible stories of lost and found help people today? What makes these stories so popular?</p> <p>What are the main ways Christians use the Bible? Which ones explain why it is so popular?</p>	<p>What is prayer? Is prayer helpful? How could we answer this question?</p> <p>What happens in Islamic prayer? What does this show us about Muslim beliefs and ways of life?</p> <p>How and why do Christians like to pray?</p> <p>How do Hindus pray and worship at home and in the Mandir?</p> <p>What is similar and different in the words of three prayers (Muslim, Christian, Hindu)</p> <p>Reflection: What more can we discover? Does reflection matter to me?</p> <p>Prayer and me: why do some people pray every day, but others not at all?</p> <p>What have we learned from Muslims, Hindus + Christians about prayer, symbols and worship?</p>		<p>How do people celebrate Christmas? Using a religious studies lens</p> <p>How do people celebrate Christmas? Using a sociological lens</p> <p>What have we learnt about how people celebrate Christmas? Bringing the lenses together</p> <p>What can we learn about how people celebrate different festivals?</p> <p>What is the role of festivals in Britain today?</p>	<p>How do Christians show their beliefs in the home?</p> <p>What do Christians do to show their beliefs at Church?</p> <p>How and why do different Christians use music in worship?</p> <p>How and why do different Christians celebrate holy communion?</p> <p>How do Christians make a difference in their local community?</p> <p>Why do people stand up against injustice because of their religion?</p>
Assessment	What have we learned about ideas of God from Hindus, Christians, Humanists and Muslims?	What are your favourite wise words? What Bible ideas are your favourites? How can you express them?	Questioning			What would pupils say makes someone a Christian and why?
Visits and Visitors						
		Rector Rebecca				Church

# Year 4

	Autumn Term		Spring Term		Summer Term	
	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Key question	Why is Jesus inspiring to some people?	Why are festivals important to religious communities?	Why do some people think that life is a journey? What significant experiences mark this?		What does it mean to be a Hindu in Britain today?	How do family life and festivals show what matters to Jewish people?
Strand	Believing	Expressing	Expressing		Living	Living
Religions and world views	Christians	Christians Hindus Jewish People Muslims	Christians Hindus Jewish People		Hindus	Jewish People
Questions to explore	<p>What does the word 'inspiring' mean? Who is inspiring?</p> <p>What do we know about Jesus' life story? Is his story inspiring for some people?</p> <p>Was Jesus inspiring because of his actions?</p> <p>What did Jesus teach? Was he a good teacher? Was he an inspiring teacher?</p> <p>Did Jesus' teachings inspire people? How and why?</p> <p>Who did Jesus say he was? Why is he so important to Christians?</p> <p>Why do Christians call the day Jesus died 'Good Friday' and the following Sunday his Resurrection day?</p> <p>Is Jesus still important today? Why? Who to? How does it show?</p> <p>What kind of image of Jesus for the 21st Century would pupils like to create? Might it be inspiring to others?</p> <p>Does being inspired by Jesus make a person stronger?</p> <p>Who is inspiring for me? Who is inspiring for other children in my class?</p>	<p>What is worth celebrating?</p> <p>What do Christians celebrate at Easter?</p> <p>What was the meaning of Jesus' last meal with his friends?</p> <p>What does the crucifying of Jesus mean to Christians?</p> <p>What do Christians believe happened on Easter Sunday morning?</p> <p>Why is Divali significant to Hindus?</p> <p>Why do Muslims celebrate at the end of Ramadan?</p> <p>Why do Jewish people celebrate Pesach every year?</p> <p>What can we learn from celebrations and festivals?</p>	<p>What does a journey mean to us?</p> <p>What is the significance of Baptism to Christians?</p> <p>How do Jewish people mark becoming an adult?</p> <p>What ceremonies do Hindus mark in the journey of life?</p> <p>Why do people choose to get married?</p> <p>Are all journeys similar? Can we compare the journeys of Christians, Jewish people and Hindus?</p>		<p>How do Hindus show their faith? Faith in what?</p> <p>A Hindu life; what is important?</p> <p>Why is Mahatma Gandhi a Hindu Hero?</p> <p>What is it like to be a Hindu in Britain today?</p>	<p>What is worth celebrating? What do Jewish families celebrate every week?</p> <p>Why do Jewish people celebrate Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur?</p> <p>Why is Pesach important for Jews?</p> <p>Why are commandments and blessings important to Jewish people?</p>
Assessment						
Visits and Visitors						
	Rector Rebecca				Hindu Temple	Synagogue
	Church					

# Year 5

	Autumn Term		Spring Term		Summer Term	
	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
<b>Key question</b>	Why do some people believe God exists?	What would Jesus do? Can we live by the values of Jesus in the twenty-first century?	What does it mean to be a Muslim in Britain today?		If God is everywhere, why do to a place of worship?	Green religion? How and why should religious communities do more to care for the Earth?
<b>Strand</b>	Believing	Living	Living		Expressing	Living
<b>Religions and world views</b>	Christians Non-religious	Christians	Muslims		Christians Hindus Jewish people	Hindus Christians Muslims Jewish People
<b>Questions to explore</b>	<p>How many people believe in God?</p> <p>Is God real? What do Christians think?</p> <p>How do we know what is true? Why do people believe or not believe in God?</p> <p>What do Christians believe about how the world began? Do they all share the same idea?</p> <p>Is God real? Why do some people believe God exists? Why do some people believe God doesn't exist?</p>	<p>Can you work out what mattered to Jesus from 10 things he said? What was his 'mission statement'?</p> <p>What is the importance of the value of love? How did Jesus teach his followers to love?</p> <p>What do Jesus' parables about forgiveness teach to Christians today?</p> <p>How do Christians today try to follow Jesus' teaching about justice and fairness? The example of Mother Teresa</p> <p>What did Jesus teach about being generous and being greedy?</p> <p>What does the teaching of Jesus have to say about some problems people face today? What would Jesus do?</p> <p>What have we learned about living by the values of Jesus in the modern world?</p>	<p>What helps you through the journey of life? What helps Muslims through the journey of life?</p> <p>What is the key belief of Muslims? How does this affect their life?</p> <p>Why does prayer matter to Muslims?</p> <p>How is charity important to Muslims? How is charity important to you?</p> <p>Why do Muslims fast?</p> <p>Why do Muslims want to go on pilgrimage?</p> <p>Where do people get advice and guidance from?</p> <p>What is a special place for Muslims?</p> <p>Can you think of similar commitments to the five pillars in your life? What matters to Muslims?</p>		<p>What is a place of worship? What is it for?</p> <p>What is a Christian place of worship? What is it for?</p> <p>What is a Hindu place of worship? What is it for?</p> <p>What is a Jewish place of worship? What is it for?</p> <p>Are people more important than the place?</p> <p>What is a place of worship? What is it for?</p> <p>What does a place of worship mean to believers?</p>	<p>Does the Earth belong to God? Or to humanity? Or to every living thing?</p> <p>What do Muslims think and do about caring for the earth and working to improve the environment?</p> <p>What do Christians think and do about caring for the earth and working to improve the environment?</p> <p>What do Hindu people think and do about caring for the earth and working to improve the environment?</p> <p>What do Jewish people think and do about caring for the earth and working to improve the environment?</p> <p>What have we been learning about the different ways to make religions 'greener'?</p> <p>What are we learning? How can we display our new knowledge about 'green religion' and express our own ideas?</p>
<b>Assessment</b>	Report					
<b>Visits and Visitors</b>						

# Year 6

	Autumn Term		Spring Term		Summer Term	
	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Key question	What do religions say to us when life gets hard?	Is it better to express your religion in arts and architecture or in charity and generosity?	What difference does it make to believe in Ahimsa, Grace and Ummah?		What matters most to Christians and Humanists?	What can be done to reduce racism? Can religion help?
Strand	Believing	Expressing	Living		Living	Expressing
Religions and world views	Christians Hindus Non-religious	Christians Muslims Non-religious	Hindus Christians Muslims		Christians Non-religious	Christians Muslims Non-religious
Questions to explore	<p>What questions have you got about what happens when we die?</p> <p>What do some people think carries on after we have died? What is our soul?</p> <p>Do some people believe that you come back to life as different things? What is reincarnation?</p> <p>Do you get to heaven if you do things wrong?</p> <p>What do Christians think happens when we die?</p> <p>What do people who don't believe in god think happens when we die?</p> <p>What different ideas are there about what happens when we die? What do I think?</p>	<p>What makes a place special? What is a sacred place? Are all places sacred? What is the value of a sacred place?</p> <p>How do mosque buildings express Islamic beliefs and values? What makes a fine mosque?</p> <p>Muslim calligraphy, painting and poetry: what is inspiring?</p> <p>How do Christians use art in worship and in remembering Jesus? What do you admire about some works of art?</p> <p>Can a Christian place of worship be a building for the 'glory of God'? What does this mean?</p> <p>How and why do Muslim charities try to change the world?</p> <p>How and why does Christian Aid try to change the world?</p>	<p>What can we learn from the game 'Everyone's Committed'? What does it mean for Hindus, Muslims and Christians to commit to key beliefs?</p> <p>How do Muslim people build their community, the Ummah, by following their Prophet?</p> <p>How does it feel to be a part of the Muslim Ummah? What difference does it make?</p> <p>What does harmlessness mean in the Hindu religion? The example of the ways Gandhi stood up for his beliefs and commitments?</p> <p>How do Hindus show their commitment to ahimsa through acts of service or sewa?</p> <p>What did Jesus teach about God's grace and forgiveness?</p> <p>Why did Jesus share bread &amp; wine with his disciples, the night of his arrest? How did Jesus show the meaning of grace?</p> <p>How can the life of a great Christian person show us the meaning of grace?</p>		<p>Do rules matter? Why? What is a code for living?</p> <p>Who is a humanist? What codes for living do non-religious people use?</p> <p>What can we learn from discussion and drama about good &amp; bad, right &amp; wrong?</p> <p>What codes for living do Christians try to follow?</p> <p>What can we learn from a Values Game?</p> <p>Peace: is it more valuable than any money?</p> <p>Can we create a code for living that would help the world?</p>	<p>Racism: what is it, and why is it unfair? What can we learn from 6 examples?</p> <p>What can we learn from the stories of two statues in Bristol? Colston &amp; Wesley</p> <p>How did Saint Peter learn that 'God has no favourites'?</p> <p>The Golden Rule and Silver Rule: what are they, and why are these rules found in so many religions? Can following the Golden Rule reduce racism?</p> <p>Anti-racist people from different religions – what can we learn from some examples?</p> <p>How can I express my own vision for justice and equality?</p>
Assessment		What matters more to Christians & Muslims: art and architecture or generosity and charity? What matters more to you?			What have we learned from the Muslims, Christians and Hindus about their commitments to the Ummah, to Ahimsa and to Grace? How are these religions similar, and how are they different?	Artwork
Visits and Visitors						