



Curriculum Overview – Religious Education

Whole School Learning Theme	What impact can beliefs have on the lives of individuals and communities?		
Curriculum Drivers	Aspiration, Wellbeing, Pride		
Year Group	Autumn	Spring	Summer
EYFS	Key themes covered throughout the year: Special People Christmas Celebrations Easter Learning through Stories		
1 Christianity and Judaism	Creation Story Does God want Christians to look after the world?	Jesus as a friend Was it always easy for Jesus to show friendship?	Shabbat Is Shabbat important to Jewish children?
	Christmas What gifts would Christians in my town have given Jesus if he had been born here rather than in Bethlehem?	Easter—Palm Sunday Why was Jesus welcomed like a king or celebrity by the crowds on Palm Sunday?	Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur Are Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur important to Jewish children?
2 Christianity and Islam	What did Jesus teach? Is it possible to be kind to people all of the time?	Prayer at home Does praying at regular intervals help a Muslim in his/her everyday life?	Community and Belonging Does going to a Mosque give Muslims a sense of belonging?
	Christmas - Jesus as a gift from God Why do Christians believe God gave Jesus to the world?	Easter—Resurrection How important is it to Christians that Jesus came back to life after his resurrection?	Hajj Does completing Hajj make a person a better Muslim?



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3 Christianity and Hinduism	Divali Would celebrating Divali at home and in the community bring a feeling of belonging to a Hindu child?	Jesus' Miracles Could Jesus heal people? Were these miracles or is there some other explanation?	Hindu Beliefs How can Brahman be everywhere and in everything?
	Christmas Has Christmas lost its true meaning?	Easter—Forgiveness What is 'good' about Good Friday?	Pilgrimage to the River Ganges Would visiting the River Ganges feel special to a non-Hindu?
4 Christianity and Judaism	Beliefs and Practices How special is the relationship Jews have with God?	Passover How important is it for Jewish people to do what God asks them to do?	Rites of Passage and Good Works What is the best way for a Jew to show commitment to God?
	Christmas What is the most significant part of the nativity story for Christians today?	Easter Is forgiveness always possible for Christians?	Prayer and Worship Do people need to go to church to show they are Christians?
5 Christianity and Hinduism	Prayer and Worship What is the best way for a Hindu to show commitment to God?	Hindu Beliefs How can Brahman be everywhere and in everything?	Beliefs and Moral Values Do beliefs in Karma, Samsara and Moksha help Hindu's lead good lives?
	Christmas Is the Christmas story true?	Easter How significant is it for Christians to believe God intended Jesus to die?	Beliefs in Practice What is the best way for a Christian to show commitment to God?
6 Christianity and Islam	Beliefs and Practices What is the best way for a Muslim to show commitment to God?	Beliefs and meaning Is anything ever eternal?	Beliefs and Moral Values Does belief in Akhirah (life after death) help Muslims lead good lives?
	Christmas Do Christmas celebrations and traditions help Christians understand who Jesus was and why he was born?	Easter Is Christianity still a strong religion 2000 years after Jesus was on Earth?	