

**Religious Studies Curriculum Overview**

Year	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
5	Christianity		Sikhism		Hinduism	
6	Islam		Judaism		Buddhism	
7	<u>What is Religious Studies?</u>  Students will study how we define religion? How religion develops? The major 6 world religions and where in the world you find them.	<u>What is belief?</u>  Students will study and discuss what belief is and where beliefs come from? They will look at how they differ across different religions. They will study what it means to be agnostic and atheist.	<u>Christianity</u>  Students will study who Jesus was and how Christianity developed. The trinity, parables, denominations, pilgrimage, church and baptism.	<u>Applying Religious Teachings to a Concept: Justice</u>  Students will study how different religious groups understand justice. They will look at what key teachings Jesus delivered about justice. They will look at the criminal justice system and social justice, prejudice and discrimination.	<u>Islam</u>  Students will study and begin to develop their understanding of Allah, prophet Muhammed, the five pillars of Islam, Muslim worship, food laws and Islamic dress. They will look at the Qur'an and key beliefs.	<u>Places of Worship</u>  Students will study different places of worship? They will look at how different religions worship and if these places have things in common and what key elements, they can we identify. We will look at local places of worship.
8  2025 onwards	<u>Judaism</u>  Students will study the origins of Judaism; they will look at how Jews interpret	<u>What difference does it make to be non-religious in Britain today?</u>  Students will study non-religious people and their views and beliefs	<u>Sikhism</u>  Students will study the origins of Sikhism and the core beliefs and practices of Sikhism. They will look at the values that Sikhs live their lives by?	<u>Conflict and Peace</u>  Students will study how religion can lead to conflict and how religion can be used to support peace. (The Troubles)  Students will look at what	<u>Hinduism</u>  Students will study the origins of Hinduism and the key principles within Hinduism.  They will study what is it like to be a Hindu	<u>Buddhism</u>  Students will study the origins of Buddhism and the key principles within Buddhism.  They will study what it is like to be a Buddhist today and how

	creation. They will look at how Jewish people practice their faith and what is it like to be a Jewish person today.	(from indifference to hostility to religion)	How do Sikhs worship and how does this influence the way they live their lives?	different religions teach about forgiveness.	today and how Hindu's practice their faith.	Buddhists practice their faith.
9	<p><b><u>What is religious studies?</u></b></p> <p>Students will discuss the big questions. Such as where did religion come from? What are beliefs? Is religion important?</p>	<p><b><u>Philosophical questions</u></b></p> <p>Students will begin to explore philosophical questions such as what is a good life? Why do we suffer? And what happens when we die?</p>	<p><b><u>Philosophical questions</u></b></p> <p>Students will discuss key questions such as what is God? And review other philosophical questions and begin revising for their philosophical questions assessment.</p>	<p><b><u>Ethical issues</u></b></p> <p>Students will begin to explore ethical issues and key ethical questions such as how did the universe begin? How should we treat the planet? Students will look at abortions and the ethical issues that surround them and how this is looked at through different religious perspectives.</p>	<p><b><u>Ethical issues</u></b></p> <p>Students will begin to look at euthanasia and the ethical issues that surround this and how this is looked at through different religious perspectives.</p>	<p><b><u>Ethical issues</u></b></p> <p>Students will review the key controversial issues and ethical arguments. They will revise for their ethical issues assessment at the end of the year.</p>
10	<p><b><u>Christianity</u></b></p> <p>Students will focus on the key beliefs and practices. They will study the</p>	<p><b><u>Christianity</u></b></p> <p>Students will focus on the key beliefs and practices. They will study the places of worship,</p>	<p><b><u>Islam</u></b></p> <p>Students will focus on the key beliefs and practices. They will study the holy books, key duties and</p>	<p><b><u>Islam</u></b></p> <p>Students will focus on the key beliefs and practices. They will study the holy books, key duties and festivals.</p>	<p><b><u>Thematic studies</u></b></p> <p>Students will begin to look at the thematic studies, such as crime and punishment and its relationship with</p>	<p><b><u>Revision</u></b></p> <p>Revisit and review Christianity and Islam units for mock exams.</p>

	places of worship, key festivals and the role of the church in the local and worldwide community.	key festivals and the role of the church in the local and worldwide community.	festivals.		religion	
<b>11</b>	<p><b><u>Thematic studies</u></b></p> <p>Students will begin to look at the thematic studies, such as crime and punishment and its relationship with religion</p>	<p><b><u>Thematic studies</u></b></p> <p>Students will begin to look at the thematic studies, such as crime and punishment and its relationship with religion</p>	<p><b><u>Revision</u></b></p> <p>Revisit and review Christianity and Islam units.</p>	<p><b><u>Revision</u></b></p> <p>Revisit and review Christianity and Islam.</p>	<p><b><u>Revision</u></b></p> <p>Revisit and review Thematic studies.</p>	<p><b><u>Exam period</u></b></p>