

Key Stage 3 Religious Studies Curriculum Map

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Year 7	Introduction to Core Judaism • Key ideas in Jewish faith • Key figures and events in Jewish history • Religious experiences • Festivals	Introduction to core Christian beliefs • How did we get here? • The birth of Jesus • The Concept of Christian love • Importance of Christmas to Christian believers	Introduction to core Islam beliefs • What guides the Muslim beliefs? • Prophet Muhammad • Five Pillars of Islam	Introduction to core Islam beliefs • Why is Malcom X an important figure? • Why Is Pilgrimage important to a Muslim believer? Introduction to core Buddhism beliefs • Who is Gautam Buddha? • The Four sights	Introduction to core to Buddhism beliefs Reaching Enlightenment The four Noble truths The Eightfold path/five precepts Why do we suffer?	Introduction to core to Buddhism beliefs • Reaching Enlightenment • The four Noble truths • The Eightfold path/five precepts • Why do we suffer?
Year 8	Introduction to core Islamic practices Identity and belonging The Muslim community The importance of the five pillars to a Muslim Pillar Afterlife	Introduction to core Christian practices Christian love The Trinity Importance of the holy week The crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus.	Introduction to Hindu beliefs • Beliefs about life and death • How do Hindus express their belief? • Hindu festivals	Hinduism: Ghandi (Equality) • Fight for your rights • Just law vs. Unjust law • How did Ghandi fight for human rights?	Introduction to core to Sikhism beliefs. • What Sikhs believe about God • Who is Guru Granth Sahib? • Who is Guru Nanak? • The five Ks • Why Sikhs believe in helping people	Protest through Music Importance of human rights Civil rights movements The suffragette movements Use of music to protest
Year 9	Marriage and Family (Fall 2023) Importance of family Relationships Is marriage important? Same sex relationship.	Marriage and Family (Fall 2023) Importance of family Relationships Is marriage important? Same sex relationship.	Believing in God The problem of evil The Design argument The cosmological argument Teleological argument Unanswered prayers Miracles	Rights and Responsibilities • How important is the bible? • Should the golden rule be a law? • Situational Ethics	Religion and Justice How does religion fight injustice? How did` Oscar Romero, MLK and Maria Gomez fight for human rights? Why are human rights important to a religious believer? How does religion fight against prejudice and discrimination	Matters of life and death What happens after we die? What are the different religious view on after life? Sanctity of life versus Quality of life Can Abortion ever be justified? Can Euthanasia ever be justified?