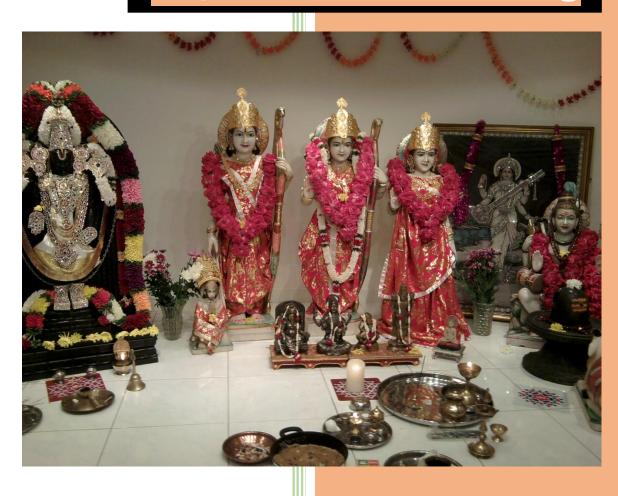




Y5/6 units of learning



Creating a broad and balanced RE curriculum using the Units of Learning

If schools choose, they may design their own RE curriculum from the statutory aspects in The Agreed Syllabus; see Designing your own broad and balanced RE curriculum for KS1-3 in Supplementary Resources.

In order to develop a broad and balanced curriculum for RE that incorporates the Units of Learning, a class teacher will need to make reference to

- The main **Agreed Syllabus** document and in particular
 - 3 Areas of Understanding for the relevant key stage
 - o **End of Key Stage Expectations** for the relevant key stage
 - **Key Content and Vocabulary** for faiths chosen for study
- Units of Learning and SEND Units for the relevant key stage

Prior to planning your RE curriculum:

- Check the requirements for each key stage (p.9) alongside the school RE policy
- Consider the school RE long-term plan and the chosen religions and worldviews for the relevant year group
- Ensure a clear rationale that takes account of the pupils' context

Placing enquiry at the heart of learning

The **enquiry model** provides for a sequence of learning, so that pupils build upon their prior knowledge and understanding to ensure progression. Where RE is most effective, enquiry is placed at the heart of learning. Teachers should develop a well-defined and systematic approach to using enquiry in RE. Enquiry is most effective and consistent where it is based on a clear, straightforward model:

Enquiry cycle

Where RE works well, pupils are given carefully structured opportunities to find out for themselves, making their own connections and drawing their own conclusions.

Ask questions

 engage pupils from the outset in 'big questions' to provide a context for carrying out an investigation to answer their own questions, drawing on previous learning

Investigate

- promote questioning and discussion about key religious concepts
- use a multidisciplinary approach to deepen learning and extend pupils' investigations into religion and other worldviews, looking through different lenses
- dig deeper into pupils' questions

Interpret and analyse

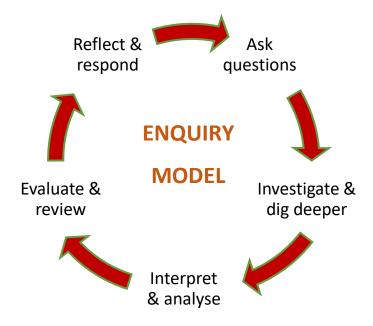
- provide first-hand experience
- give access to examples of living religious practice and high-quality resources to stimulate pupils' learning

Reflect and respond

 integrate opportunities for reflection throughout the process of enquiry, enabling them to deepen their knowledge and understanding

Evaluate and review

encourage pupils to develop well-founded reasons and justify their conclusions or views



The Units of Learning for Key Stages 1, 2 and 3

The **non-statutory** Units of Learning that accompany this syllabus follow the enquiry model and provide exemplification of medium-term planning. The units are not written with a particular faith focus, but provide a progressive framework from Key Stages 1-3. Together, the units offer **complete coverage of all statutory aspects of the agreed syllabus**; they do not have to be taught in the order in which they are presented. There are separate units for Christmas and Easter in KS1 and KS2; these are additional and should be used alongside, as supplementary to the main units.

Each Unit of Learning comprises:

About this unit

• Provides an overview of the learning

Concepts and Vocabulary

• Essential building blocks to cover in the unit

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Areas of Understanding

- The Areas of Understanding are mapped across the programme of units and may include more than one disciplinary focus (The Agreed Syllabus p. 10-11)
- Each Area identifies learning outcomes stating what pupils should be able to achieve and provides opportunities to explore key aspects of the religions studied

Prior knowledge

 Check for progression from one year to the next, so that pupils' enquiries enable increasing depth of knowledge and understanding

Identify learning questions

- Suggested questions help build the enquiry; there are questions in the Key Content for each faith, taking a focus from one of the three disciplinary lenses (p. 10-11)
- Choose a spread of questions to ensure progression across the key stage, adding pupils' supplementary questions

Enquiry

 Suggested investigations address questions posed; it's not necessary to use them all; incorporate other lines of enquiry, maybe from the pupils

Dive deeper, question further

An opportunity to extend the learning and build metacognition

Reflect on learning

• Take time for pupils to think about what has been learnt

Demonstrate new understanding

- Pulls together the learning within the unit
- Opportunities to assess pupils' learning in a formative way

Progression exemplars

- Offers examples of what pupils should be able to achieve
- Relates directly to the identified End of Key Stage statements for Key Stages 1-3; what is assessed does not encapsulate the entirety of pupils' learning in RE

Other aspects to consider when planning from the units:

- Consider the intent of your RE curriculum; check that the core questions in each year group progress logically from one to another
- For each core question, consider the relevant knowledge needed to achieve the chosen learning outcomes
- Having chosen the core questions, shape the learning by using the key concepts within the suggested vocabulary for each faith studied
- How does the RE curriculum relate to other subjects in the curriculum?

About this unit

Through the lens of Social Science, pupils investigate religious expression in all its diversity, considering different ways of expressing belief through range of creative media and in their actions. They explore the meaning of symbols and activities expressing belief.

By the end of this unit, pupils will recognise different forms of spiritual and religious expression within and between religions and denominations. *Also see the KS2 Christmas2 unit which may follow.*

Concepts

People of God, gospel, worship, spiritual, community

Vocabulary

expression, spiritual, environment, identity, individual, symbol

Exploring	Learning Outcomes				
	By the end of KS2 pupils should be able to				
How do believers worship?	describe some different ways people communicate with their god				
	consider the meaning of different forms of religious worship and how they are expressions of belief				
How do people express their beliefs?	identify symbols and artefacts which are important for at least two different faiths				
	explain how artefacts and symbols express the beliefs of faith members				
	recognise different forms of religious and spiritual expression				

Prior knowledge

The unit builds on Unit 1.2 Worship and Unit 3.3 What is sacred? Recall visits made to places of worship and conversations with faith members, and the personal use of symbols to express faith

Identify learning questions: How is faith expressed?

What are some expressions of faith?

How can the arts express beliefs and ideas?

How do faith members creatively express their beliefs?

Where do people worship?

How are places of worship expressions of belief?

Is worship only one expression of faith?

When and where do faith members worship in silence?

What are common forms of expression in religious worship from different faiths?

How might a believer feel a sense of belonging when participating in worship?

Enquiry: consider

- religious expression in all its diversity
- how religious building are expressions of faith in their shape and design
- different styles of music as expressions of faith, including singing in 'gospel' style
- different art forms expressing beliefs, including Islamic art, iconostasis, murtis, Buddhist thankas
- beliefs represented through the arts
- expressions of worship within different faiths and denominations

- talking to a faith member about personal religious expression and how it promotes a sense of belonging
- how people of faith express their spirituality
- the inspiration and spiritual impact of nature

Dive deeper, question further

Question a faith member about how they express their religious beliefs Discuss what might be described as 'secular worship' Are gifts of money better than gifts of time or attention?

Reflect on learning

Reflect on a collection of symbols and artefacts; what do they say about the person who uses them? Reflect on the feelings that different forms of religious expression create, such as joy, hope, unity, belonging, peace

Demonstrate new understanding

Use creative expression to communicate a religious belief and explain its meaning Write a song in 'gospel' style and talk about the beliefs it expresses Use different forms of Islamic art to illustrate Muslim beliefs Share understanding of forms of religious expression from different faiths Describe some different ways people communicate with god Appreciate different ways in which people express their faith Describe an example of religious expression and explain its meaning

Links to Understanding Christianity Unit 2B.1 God p.2-3

Progression exemplars

Identify the importance of symbolism in the expression of beliefs Describe different forms of worship and spiritual expression and explain where they might take place

This contributes to the following End of Key Stage statements:

Demonstrate understanding of how people express their identity and their spirituality through symbols and actions

About this unit

This unit is an opportunity to use the lens of Theology to explore in greater depth the impact of the teaching of faith founders and other religious figures and the influence they had - and continue to have - today. In addition, contrast the ideas and influence of significant people who hold non-religious worldviews. There are elements of personal development covered in this unit.

By the end of this unit pupils should know something of the challenges posed by choosing to live a life of faith. Also see the KS2 Easter2 unit which may follow.

Concepts

People of God, holy, belief, ethics & morality

Vocabulary

teaching and key concepts for each religion, vocation, inspiration, influence

Exploring	Learning Outcomes					
	By the end of KS2 pupils should be able to					
What do key religious figures teach?	explain the significance of the key teachings of faith founders for faith members					
	describe the teachings of key religious figures, identifying some similarities and differences					
	reflect on the teachings of key religious figures and how these teachings impact on society					
How do the lives of faith founders influence believers?	identify key events in the lives of faith founders and their impact on those around them					
	explain the relevance of different faith founders for their followers today					

Prior knowledge

This unit follows on from 5.1 Expressions to build upon Unit 3.2 Founders of faith

Identify learning questions: What are the challenges?

Who do we listen to? Where do we get our beliefs from? Who and what helps to shape them? How can we discriminate between good and bad influencers?

What are the different key beliefs that stem from the teachings of faith founders?

How do faith-based charities exemplify faith teachings?

What is vocation? Where does it come from? Do you have to be religious to have a vocation?

Enquiry: consider

Investigate key beliefs from different religions and other worldviews in some depth; find out where they come from and their relevance for today in the practice of faith members.

Explore similarities and differences between religious concepts such as:

- Prayer
- Goodness
- The Fruits of the Spirit for Christians
- Five Pillars of Islam
- Service to others
- The concept of unity in the Baha'i Faith

- The Eightfold Path for Buddhists
- Tawid and ummah for Muslims
- The Communion of Saints for Christians
- The concept of Covenant for Judaism and Christianity
- Atman and karma for Sanatanis
- The Khalsa and sangat
- Think for yourself, act for everyone

Dive deeper, question further

Investigate the meaning of dharma for Sanatanis, Sikhs and Buddhists

Consider the impact of faith on the actions of faith members from three different faith communities

Explore the influence that the media has on beliefs and the practice of religion today

Reflect on learning

How do beliefs influence actions, and how do actions influence beliefs? What inspires and influences my life? How does it show in the way I live and what I do?

Demonstrate new understanding

Write a brief explanation of a shared religious concept, giving examples from different faiths
Share a story of belief in action in a creative way, through drama or dance
Write ten rich questions to ask people such as Malala, Ghandi or Archbishop Desmond Tutu or Andrew
Copson (British Humanist Association) about their work and commitment to their beliefs
Make a class scrapbook of cuttings to show caring work motivated by faith - Christian Aid, Salvation Army,
Action for Children, Red Crescent, Oxfam, Cafod, local food banks, chaplaincy groups

Links to Understanding Christianity

Unit 2A.2 People of God p.4-5 Unit 2B.7 Salvation p.4

Progression exemplars

Identify the origins and make connections between different faith teachings Give a considered response to the challenges of following a faith

- Express understanding of the key concepts underpinning different faiths, linking sources of authority to belief
- Describe and show understanding of links between different sacred texts and how those faith teachings influence communities and society today

Unit 5.3: Pilgrimage

About this unit

This is a stand-alone unit building on an understanding of 'journey' to investigate the impact of pilgrimage on participants, exploring local, national and global pilgrimage sites for different faiths. It is important where possible to visit a local sacred place which may be a place of pilgrimage for some – church, cathedral, cemetery, memorial, garden, tree, monument, quiet space.

By the end of this unit pupils will understand the purpose of making pilgrimage, what happens during pilgrimage and its impact.

Concepts

holy, sacred, ritual

Vocabulary

festivals, rituals, journeys, sacred, pilgrim

Exploring	Learning Outcomes By the end of KS2 pupils should be able to					
What is the value of participating in a religious festival or ritual?	compare the experience of participating in a religious festival or celebration around the world reflect and share how religious celebrations and rituals have an impact on the community					
What makes a place sacred?	show understanding of what is sacred for believers in religious places describe the uses of sacred places, symbols and artefacts by believers and the community explain how activities at local places of worship create a sense of community					
Why do people of faith make a pilgrimage?	compare key places of pilgrimage and identify why a faith member might go there describe and show understanding of actions carried out by a pilgrim before, during and after pilgrimage suggest ideas about the meaning of pilgrimage to a believer and the impact on their life					

Prior knowledge

It builds upon Unit 5.1 *Expressions* looking at pilgrimage as a different expression of faith. Recall other forms of religious expression

Identify learning questions: Why pilgrimage?

What is pilgrimage? Who goes and why?

How is a pilgrim different from a tourist?

Where are the sacred sites of pilgrimage for different faiths? Why are they sacred?

How does a pilgrim prepare for the journey? What might they take with them?

What does a pilgrim do on their pilgrimage?

What might they leave at the site and what might they bring away with them?

How might a pilgrim feel at different stages of their journey?

What does pilgrimage mean to a believer? What might be the lasting impact on their life?

Unit 5.3: Pilgrimage

Enquiry: consider

- significant places in the local community, such as war memorials, memorial seats, parks, trees
- a virtual or real visit a local sacred site to find out why it is sacred
- world pilgrimage sites on a map and on the web; consider how to get there
- important places of pilgrimage for several faiths; why are they holy?
- a guided visualisation of a pilgrim's journey
- talking with someone who has been on pilgrimage to find out the impact pilgrimage made on them
- artefacts used by the pilgrim, their purpose and meaning
- rituals performed at sites of pilgrimage and before, during and after a pilgrimage; discover how those actions link to faith beliefs
- participating in a prayer walk, or making a pilgrimage to a labyrinth
- John Bunyan's *Pilgrims' Progress* and other stories of life-changing journeys; discuss the meaning of Christian's story and consider the motivation and inspiration it brings to Christian believers

Dive deeper, question further

Make an imaginary blog, tweet or video diary as a pilgrim; journal thoughts and impressions along the journey and assess the impact at the finish

Suggest reasons why some people think of life as a pilgrimage or journey Identify other stories of life-changing journeys and discuss their meaning

Reflect on learning

Reflect on why a pilgrimage is different from any ordinary journey

Reflect on feelings experienced by pilgrims and the impact of pilgrimage on their life

Consider the words of the hymn *To Be A Pilgrim* or *One More Step* and put them into modern form - what do they say today?

Demonstrate new understanding

Highlight significant events on pilgrimage for pilgrims from three different world faiths

Identify the significance of what happens at sites of pilgrimage for three different world faiths and make connections

Describe the preparation a pilgrim makes, the rituals and what they leave / what they take away from the experience

Write a pilgrim's postcard from a site of pilgrimage; use the senses to describe the experience Create a class guide to pilgrimage sites around the world; indicate the significance of each site

Links to Understanding Christianity n/a

Progression exemplars

Identify and explain why people may participate in a pilgrimage Describe and show understanding of actions carried out by a pilgrim

- Make connections between the beliefs that underpin different celebrations, forms of worship, pilgrimages and rituals
- Show understanding of the challenges of commitment to a community of faith or belief, suggesting why belonging to a community may be valuable

About this unit

This unit provides opportunities for pupils to use a Philosophical lens to explore and explain the concepts of justice and freedom; to consider how justice is significant in stories from religions and in secular life; to consider, through the lens of Theology, what religions teach about forgiveness and how reconciliation may take place. This unit has strong links with citizenship, British values and personal and spiritual development.

Key Question: Is it fair?

By the end of this unit pupils should be able to explain what freedom and justice, forgiveness and reconciliation mean; they show how this is demonstrated in the lives of people of different faiths and worldviews. Also see the KS2 Christmas2 unit which may follow.

Concepts

People of God, Kingdom of God, God, justice and freedom, authority, universal

Vocabulary

forgiveness, reconciliation, harmony, moral, ethical, parable

Exploring	Learning Outcomes By the end of KS2 pupils should be able to					
What is the meaning of justice and freedom?	explain what freedom means to people of faith					
	show understanding of the beliefs and feelings of faith members who have experienced injustice					
	explain their hopes and dreams for a just world					
Why should people be good?	identify the responses of different religions to ethical questions					
What do religions teach about forgiveness and reconciliation?	identify the impact of a religious teaching such as forgiveness on a believer's actions					
	describe the ways in which people of faith have demonstrated forgiveness and reconciliation					
	identify the impact that reconciliation has on community harmony					

Prior knowledge

Recall learning about making choices in Unit 2.1 Lead us not into temptation

Identify learning questions: Is it fair?

What does it mean to be fair? Is justice the same as fairness?

Can one person make a difference to issues of social justice and global inequality?

What does freedom mean to people of different faiths and to those with no faith?

What would the world be like without forgiveness? Is it easy to forgive?

What do different religions teach about forgiveness? What might a Humanist say about forgiveness?

What is meant by reconciliation; how can people be reconciled?

How do people respect and relate to each other; what motivates that respect?

Enquiry: consider

- how it feels to be treated differently
- the meaning of freedom to individuals and to different faith communities
- issues of personal, social and global injustice, looking at examples of how people of faith work to address issues such as those raised by the Holocaust (Shoah)

- what happens when people of faith are treated unjustly
- Joseph and his brothers (examples of justice, freedom, forgiveness and reconciliation)
- Jesus' teaching about justice and forgiveness: Sermon on the Mount; parables of the Good Samaritan and the Unforgiving Servant, Jesus healing the leper, Jesus speaking about the unfairly treated - women, children and non-Jews

Key Question: Is it fair?

- how following God can bring freedom and justice, according to Christian teaching
- how the teaching of forgiveness is central in two or more faiths
- the practice of restorative justice in school
- the ways in which a person of faith has demonstrated forgiveness and reconciliation and why
- the reconciliatory work of Corrymeela in Northern Ireland
- how seeds grow and what flowers of peace might look like; design a seed packet for 'Seeds of Peace' showing what they would look like when grown

Dive deeper, question further

Does making a moral choice mean the same as an ethical choice?

Is the teaching of Jesus relevant for people today?

Are we always free to act the way we would like to?

Is personal freedom limited sometimes by the need to live in harmony with others?

Explore stories from different faiths about freedom of action and their relevance for people today Does harmony and reconciliation sometimes involve compromise? What might that look like?

Reflect on learning

What does freedom mean to me and my life?

What does it take to make a just society?

Why do peacemakers act as they do? Do we Give Peace a Chance?

Reflect upon how forgiveness and reconciliation can change the lives of both victim and perpetrator and change whole communities

Demonstrate new understanding

Hotseat a person of faith or roleplay a scenario demonstrating aspects of forgiveness and reconciliation Debate a current issue of justice and freedom; make a response such as a letter to a local MP, online petition, demonstration

Compose a group peace prayer or song and talk about what the lyrics mean

Complete the statements Justice is... and Freedom is... linking to sacred texts from different faiths

Nominate someone to receive a Peace Prize and say why they deserve the award

Contrast contemporary examples of inequality for members of different faiths

Links to Understanding Christianity

2/2B.3 People of God p.5

2/2B.8 Kingdom of God p.4 (Unforgiving Servant)

Progression exemplars

Explain their hopes and dreams for a just community and a just world Discuss barriers to reconciliation and harmony and the power of forgiveness

- Express understanding of the key concepts underpinning different faiths, linking sources of authority to belief
- Articulate the responses of different religious and non-religious worldviews to ethical questions, including ideas about what is right and wrong and what is just and fair

Unit: 6.2 Living a Faith Key Question: What is identity?

About this unit

This unit takes a Social Science perspective to explore the concept of religious identity through the way people live and practise their beliefs. There is a focus on how rites of passage (may include death and bereavement) give shape to a person's identity. Consider the ways in which these milestones impact on families and the wider community.

By the end of this unit, pupils should have a view about who and what influences someone to be who they are and what may shape their identity. When discussing the end of life, be sensitive to pupils who may have recently experienced bereavement. Also see the KS2 Easter2 unit which may follow.

Concepts

Kingdom of God, identity, spiritual, worship, belonging, religion

Vocabulary

belonging, rites of passage – confirmation, Bar/Bat Mitzvah, ritual, celebrations, expression

Exploring	Learning Outcomes By the end of KS2 pupils should be able to			
Which religious rituals show identity and belonging for different traditions?	suggest how the milestones of life give a sense of identity and belonging for faith members			
What is the value of participating in a religious festival or ritual?	compare the experience of participating in a religious festival or celebration around the world			
	reflect and share how religious celebrations and rituals have an impact on the community			

Prior knowledge

Recall work from Units 3.3 Sacred Places and 4.1 Communities on the journey of life and identity

Identify learning questions: What is identity?

What contributes to a sense of identity and belonging?

Does having a faith shape a person's identity? Can a person be spiritual without being religious? Are names and titles important?

How can life be described as a journey?

How do people of faith mark transitions in life? How do non-religious people mark these transitions? Is it appropriate to call these transitions 'milestones'?

How do rites of passage demonstrate identity and belonging for a person of faith?

What if there were no traditions to mark stages in life?

Enquiry: consider

- what is meant by the term identity? Can religion shape identity?
- the different names and titles given to Jesus in the New Testament; what do they say about Jesus' identity?
- how Siddhartha Gautama got the title 'Buddha'
- the steps taken by Buddhist boys towards becoming a monk
- the metaphor 'life as a journey' and where the milestones may occur
- how, as a Jewish boy aged 12, Jesus was taken to the temple by his parents for his Bar Mitzvah
- a film clip of a Bar or Bat Mitzvah or read extracts from *Bar Mitzvah Boy* by Jack Rosenthal; what does this ceremony have to do with identity?

Unit: 6.2 Living a Faith Key Question: What is identity?

- who and what influences someone to be who they are; what shapes identity?
- how coming together as a community contributes to a sense of identity and belonging
- how the rites of passage for three different faiths are similar

Dive deeper, question further

Consider what a person says about themselves when they say "I am a... (Christian/Muslim/Sikh)" Explore the challenges in meeting new responsibilities at a new stage in life What are the challenges on a faith journey?

Reflect on learning

Think about the importance of celebrating the milestones of life and the ways they may engender a sense of identity and belonging

How does marking life's milestones help people make the transition to the next stage?

Demonstrate new understanding

Annotate pictures of people of different faiths, identifying clues to their religious beliefs

Roleplay a rite of passage ceremony; hot-seat participants afterwards

Create a blog or diary entry for a young person celebrating a rite of passage, describing the sequence of events and how they felt

Express thoughts about how a rite of passage is life-changing; how does it define identity and give a sense of belonging?

Design a poster to illustrate life's milestones

Create the journey of life as a maze, the centre of the maze represents a goal in life, junctions are the choices; what might the dead-ends represent?

Understanding Christianity

Unit 2B.8 Kingdom of God

Progression exemplars

Explain and give reasons about how personal milestones engender a sense of identity

Discuss and give examples of how participating in rites of passage have an impact on religious communities

- Make connections between the beliefs that underpin different celebrations, forms of worship, pilgrimages and rituals
- Demonstrate understanding of how people express their identity and their spirituality through symbols and actions

About this unit

This unit provides opportunities for pupils to consider the significance and impact of some key teachings, and the ways in which they have shaped believers' responses to ultimate questions. Philosophy for Children (P4C) strategies are helpful in enabling pupils to identify differences between ultimate and non-ultimate questions.

By the end of this unit, pupils should have investigated different ideas about god and humanity; they ask ultimate questions from different perspectives. When discussing the end of life, be sensitive to pupils who may have recently experienced bereavement.

Concepts

God, creation, faith, peace, truth

Vocabulary

purpose, meaning of life, mission, ambition, hope

Exploring	Learning Outcomes			
	By the end of KS2 pupils should be able to			
What is an ultimate question?	identify what makes some questions ultimate offer answers to an ultimate question from different faith perspectives			
Who is god?	explain how people of different faiths describe what god is like identify what different sacred writings say about the attributes of god			

Prior knowledge

This unit builds on work from Unit 5.2 Faith in action about key religious teachings and follows on directly from Unit 6.2 Living a faith; pupils should be encouraged to debate challenging questions whilst being respectful of the responses of others

Identify learning questions: What is life about?

What do people say life is about? What is the purpose of our existence? Who or what is God? What do different people believe about the purpose of life? What is similar, what is different? What do religious and non-religious communities teach about how people should live their lives? Is there something beyond this life?

Where does the soul go when you die?

Who am I? Who and what influences me?

What are my hopes for the world?

Enquiry: consider

- a Community of Enquiry to explore the key question
- who or what most influences our lives; what lessons of life do we learn from others or from our own experience?
- how faith influences young lives and life choices
- different beliefs concerning the point of life and what's to come
- what young people of different faiths and no faith say about themselves and their beliefs; are there similarities?
- exploring reports of visions of life after death
- the Christian message of hope for the world through the resurrection of Jesus

- the purpose of life according to different worldviews, including Sanatana Dharma
- clips from a film such as Soul and talking about what it means to 'have soul'

Dive deeper, question further

Compare different ideas about the meaning of life and death from different religious and other perspectives What is the hope religions offer about life after death?

Reflect on learning

Identify what makes some questions ultimate; reflect on big questions in life

Share hopes and dreams and aspirations for the future and for the world

Demonstrate new understanding

Work together to express ideas about an ultimate question in a poem, painting or design Illustrate and annotate the Sikh belief that the purpose of life is to become a "sachiara", that is to be truthful, real, authentic and to re-unite with the One who dwells inside us, as "fragrance in a flower", "a reflection in a mirror", "fire inside of wood"

Compare three different faith responses to ultimate questions about the purpose of life and beyond

Create a class display of responses finishing the sentence 'I think the purpose of life is...' from personal, religious and non-religious perspectives

Hold a class debate on a challenge for the world, from different religious and non-religious viewpoints

Links to Understanding Christianity

Unit 2B.7 Salvation (Y6)

Unit 2B.3 People of God

Unit 2B.3 Creation/Fall

Progression exemplars

Debate differing faith views about the purpose of life; compare different possible answers and contrast with a secular view

Explain and give examples of how people of different faiths respond to the question 'Who is god?'

This contributes to the following End of Key Stage statements:

 Offer some answers to challenging questions from different religious and non-religious perspectives

Upper Key Stage 2 Christmas

About this unit

This is a supplementary unit designed to help teachers ensure progression when exploring the festival of Christmas across Key Stage 2. It continues to explore the concepts of Incarnation, God and Messiah. Revisit different gospel accounts of the nativity story and consider the different perspectives of the key characters. Check what Old Testament prophecies say about the coming of the Messiah.

The focus for Year 5 is Peace and for Year 6 the focus is on diverse and global celebrations. It may be useful to consider festivals of light from other faith festivals alongside Christmas.

Concepts

incarnation, People of God, Kingdom of God, Messiah, secular

Vocabulary

gospel, Prince of Peace, prophecy

Exploring	Learning Outcomes By the end of KS2 pupils should be able to			
How do the lives of faith founders influence believers?	identify key events in the lives of faith founders and their impact on those around them explain the relevance of different faith founders for their followers today			
What is the value of participating in a religious festival or ritual?	compare the experience of participating in a religious festival or celebration around the world reflect and share how religious celebrations and rituals have an impact on the community			

Prior knowledge

This unit builds on learning about Winter festivals in Years 3 and 4

Identify learning questions

What is peace?

Did Jesus bring peace?

What is the message of Christmas for Christians?

Is Christmas only for Christians?

What does Christmas mean in society today?

What do the different gospel writers say about what happened at Christmas? How does this link with Old Testament prophesy?

Enquiry: consider

Year 5

- different titles for Jesus Prince of Peace, Messiah, Light of the World
- listening to Handel's Messiah and link to Isaiah's prophecy
- a series of images and symbols expressing peace and harmony in art and literature
- how the message of Christmas is celebrated around the world
- festivals of peace celebrated throughout the year

Year 6

how Luke's account of the Christmas story is different from Matthew's

Upper Key Stage 2 Christmas

- other stories which have developed from the gospels The Fourth Wise Man, Papa Panov, Baboushka
- contrasting the mood of secular/religious Christmas images, icons, poems and music
- similarities between key aspects of festivals celebrated by different faiths

Dive deeper, question further

Explore the statement "Everyone has the right to enjoy peace... Declaration on the Right to Peace, UN General Assembly 2016.

Was Jesus the Messiah?

As a community of enquiry, debate: Is Christmas only for Christians?

Reflect on learning

Reflect on the relevance of different Jesus for his followers today

Reflect on the impact that Christmas celebrations and rituals have on communities

Demonstrate new understanding

Create a Christmas peace cross, relating it to the message of the angels: peace on earth, goodwill to all people

Identify common aspects in the ways in which festivals are celebrated around the world

Write an aspect of the Christmas story from two different perspectives

Make a display showing a comparison of religious Christmas celebrations and secular ones

Links to Understanding Christianity

Unit 2B.4 Incarnation

Progression exemplars

What is the significance of Jesus as 'Prince of Peace' for Christians?

Compare the celebration of Christmas in religious and secular homes across the world

- Make connections between the beliefs that underpin different celebrations, forms of worship, pilgrimages and rituals
- Describe and show understanding of links between different sacred texts and how those faith teachings influence communities and society today

Upper Key Stage 2 Easter

About this unit

This is a supplementary unit designed to help teachers ensure progression when exploring the festival of Easter across upper Key Stage 2. It continues to explore and develop the concepts of salvation and gospel. The focus for Year 5 is on the resurrection and for Year 6, the message of Easter for today.

It may be useful to consider Spring festivals from other faiths alongside Easter.

Concepts

salvation, gospel

Vocabulary

Ash Wednesday, Lent, fasting, sacrifice, resurrection, Ascension, Pentecost, repentance, forgiveness of sins, redemption, Good News

Exploring	Learning Outcomes By the end of KS2 pupils should be able to			
How do the lives of faith founders influence believers?	identify key events in the lives of faith founders and their impact on those around them explain the relevance of different faith founders for their followers today			
What is the value of participating in a religious festival or ritual?	compare the experience of participating in a religious festival or celebration around the world reflect and share how religious celebrations and rituals have an impact on the community			

Prior knowledge

This unit builds on learning about Spring festivals in Lower KS2

Identify learning questions

What does Jesus' death and resurrection mean to Christians?

How do Christians use Lent to prepare for Easter?

What is repentance?

How does the Jewish festival of Pesach fit with the story of Easter?

How do Christians celebrate the resurrection?

Enquiry: consider

Year 5

- the symbolism of Ash Wednesday
- Lenten actions: fasting, making sacrifices, spending more time with God, an act of service
- how Jews prepare homes for Passover (link with story of Moses)
- how Jesus, as a Jewish boy, travelled to Jerusalem to celebrate Pesach with his parents
- the resurrection and its impact on Jesus' disciples

Year 6

- the Easter story from different perspectives and the dilemmas of the three Marys, the disciples, Pontius Pilate and Barabbas
- what happened next focussing on Ascension and Pentecost
- how the events of Easter translated into the founding of Christianity
- hot-seating St Paul after his experience on the road to Damascus

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Dive deeper, question further

Consider the 'ultimate sacrifice' that Jesus made

What do Christians mean by the 'forgiveness of sins'? What is 'redemption'?

What is the impact of the message of salvation for the world today?

Jesus said, "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life." How is this reflected at Easter?

Reflect on learning

During Lent, is it better to give something up, or give something away? Create feelings graphs reflecting the hopes/fears, highs/lows of people in the Easter story What is the most important to Christians – Christmas or Easter?

Demonstrate new understanding

Make a display showing a comparison of religious and secular Easter celebrations

Write a script for a modern version of an event in the Easter story, showing clearly the Christian message of Good News

Show through dance/drama the Christian message of power and hope in the resurrection Identify common aspects in the ways in which festivals are celebrated around the world

Links to Understanding Christianity

Unit 2B.6 & 2B.7 Salvation

Progression exemplars

How did the disciples react to the resurrection of Jesus?

Explain the message of Easter for Christians and for the world today

- Make connections between the beliefs that underpin different celebrations, forms of worship, pilgrimages and rituals
- Describe and show understanding of links between different sacred texts and how those faith teachings influence communities and society today

A programme of units for RE - Key Stages 1 & 2

These units of learning offer a scheme of work with built-in progression and coverage of all statutory aspects of the agreed syllabus.

Teachers may adapt them in any order to fit with other curriculum planning.

	KEY STAGE 1		KEY STAGE 2 (lower)		KEY STAGE 2 (upper)	
	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
AUTUMN	1.1 Belonging Who belongs?	2.1 Lead us not into temptation Right or wrong?	3.1 Remembering Why remember?	4.1 Communities Where is religion?	5.1 Expressions How is belief expressed?	6.1 Justice and freedom Is it fair?
	KS1 CHRISTMAS		KS2 CHRISTMAS 1		KS2 CHRISTMAS 2	
SPRING	1.2 Worship Why worship?	2.2 Believing What is true?	3.2 Founders of faith Who, what and when?	4.2 People who inspire us What makes a saint?	5.2 Faith in action What are the challenges?	6.2 Living a faith What is identity?
	KS1 EASTER		KS2 EASTER 1		KS2 EASTER 2	
SUMMER	1.3 What a wonderful world Why is the world special?	2.3 Questions, questions What are the Big Questions?	3.3 Sacred places What is sacred?	4.3 Our world Who cares?	5.3 Pilgrimage Why pilgrimage?	6.3 Hopes and visions What is life about?