

Year 7

Unit 1 – Introduction to RE and Morals – The Island

- Rites of passage
- Rules and laws in society
- Celebrating together as a community – Festivals based around Christianity
- History shaping future society
- Understanding religions and cultures

Unit 3 – Christianity

- What is Christianity – God and beliefs
- What is the day to day life of a Christian – core beliefs, roles of Christians, denominations similarities and differences
- Christian communities – local and wider, social action, and modern day Christians
- Expressing Christian Beliefs & ways of worship
- Christian origins and theory – creation and humanity.
- Christian Rites of passage - birth, baptism, holy communion, marriage, death
- Christians and other religions

Year 8

Unit 3 – Islam

- Introduction to Islam – similarities to Christianity, addressing misconceptions, beliefs – Qur'an, Allah
- The 5 Pillars of Islam – core beliefs, roles of Islam, Islam and charity and social action
- Islam law – Sharia law
- Islam beliefs peace and conflict
- Islam festivals – Eid ul Fitr, Ramadan, thanks to Allah
- Islam beliefs life and death, marriage, aqiqah

Year 9

Unit 1 Judaism

- Introduction to Judaism – Abraham, Moses, 10 commandments
- Jewish Practices
- Yom Kippur
- Jewish communities, local and worldwide
- Jewish rites of passage – birth, coming of age, marriage, death and mourning
- Significance of the holocaust and the Jewish Community

Unit 6 - Hinduism

- An introduction to Hinduism and key features of the religion
- Gods and goddesses of Hinduism, including Brahman, the Trimurti and more
- Reincarnation, including samsara, karma and moksha
- Hinduism mini-test - multiple choice
- The caste system and the story of the Purusha
- How Hindu's worship and the use of shrines
- Knowledge assessment with written answers
- Diwali and the story of the Ramayana

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Buddhism

- An introduction to Buddhism
- Gods and goddesses of Buddhism – Wesak and Buddah
- Buddhist Holy text, mandala, tripitaka, Lotus Sutra, Mahayana Scriptures, Dharma, Sangra
- Buddhist Beliefs – Eightfold path, four nobel truths
- Reincarnation – links with Hinduism, Sikhism comparing afterlife

Sikhism

- Who was Guru Nanak and how did he start a religion?
- The 5 Ks and establishment of the Khalsa
- The Golden Temple + History of Sikhism
- Sikhism in Britain
- Diwali Lessons