

# Year 8 RE Curriculum Overview

HALF TERM 1	
Judaism	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is Judaism?</li> <li>• What do Jews believe about God?</li> <li>• Who was Abraham?</li> <li>• Who was Moses?</li> <li>• Why are the 10 Cs important to Judaism?</li> <li>• What are the Jewish Holy Books?</li> <li>• What is a synagogue?</li> <li>• How do Jews keep the Shabbat Mitzvot?</li> <li>• How can a Jew keep Kosher?</li> <li>• What are Jewish rites of passage?</li> <li>• What festivals do Jews celebrate?</li> </ul>
HALF TERM 2	
Worship And The Liturgical Year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Keywords</li> <li>• What happens during the Liturgical Year? <i>Project</i></li> <li>• What is a pilgrimage?</li> <li>• Who was St Bernadette?</li> <li>• Lourdes?</li> <li>• Christian pilgrimage sites?</li> <li>• Liturgical Seasons presentations</li> </ul>
HALF TERM 3	
Vocation & Sacraments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Keywords</li> <li>• What are the 7 Sacraments?</li> <li>• What are the Sacraments of Initiation? (Why Baptism is important)</li> <li>• Why is Jesus' Baptism important? Link to Baptism today</li> <li>• What happened at Pentecost?</li> <li>• Why is confirmation linked to Pentecost?</li> <li>• What are the Gifts of the Holy Spirit? Identify and explain the importance of at least 3</li> <li>• Why must we confess our sins? 2 reasons</li> <li>• Why is the Sacrament of marriage important?</li> <li>• What is Holy Orders?</li> <li>• What is Anointing of the Sick?</li> </ul>

**HALF TERM 4****Hinduism**

- Introduction to Hinduism
- Trimurti
- God the Creator
- Hindu story of creation
- God as an Avatar – The story of Krishna
- Dharma and the afterlife
- Karma, Samsara, Moksha
- Puja – Worship and why is it important?
- Mandir – Worship in a temple
- Hindu ceremonies – Birth, naming and thread
- The festival of Holi
- The festival of Diwali

**HALF TERM 5****Different Places of Worship**

- Looking at the importance of places of Worship
- Jewish Temple and Synagogues
- Catholic Cathedral and churches
- Hindu Mandir/Temple
- Islam – Mosques
- Project – to select one of the places of worship and create a presentation

**HALF TERM 6****Spirited Arts**

- “We have far more in common with each other than that which divides us.”
- Are we all one human race, despite our differences and divisions?
- We are all different, and all religions are different – but are we all the same too?
- Can we all be united?
- What holds humanity together? Faith? Hope? Love? Music? Sport?
- What threatens to tear us apart – racism, sexism, hatred, bigotry?
- How can we conquer the forces of division? use specific religious ideas and quotes.
- Make a work of art that shows what unites us, brings us together, joins humans as one people and expresses our harmony.
- Speeches/oral presentations to the class