

Year 8 RE Curriculum Overview

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

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**Prejudice And
Discrimination**

- TBC

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