

*Religion and
worldviews*



*Kapow
Primary™*

Religious Education
Council curriculum
framework coverage

Curriculum support

Kapow Primary's curriculum access is being improved to make resources more searchable, user-friendly and sustainable.

Curriculum information pages and curriculum portals bring together content that was previously only available across multiple PDF documents. This allows quicker access to key information and ensures that the most up-to-date guidance is always available.

Curriculum information pages

These pages outline the intent, implementation and impact of the Kapow Primary curriculum, including the rationale behind the approach. They act as a central hub for curriculum guidance, with links to related resources, embedded media and FAQs to support understanding.

Curriculum portals

The curriculum portals provide an online view of each subject's long-term plan and progression. They bring together key unit information, including national curriculum links, British values and SMSC, knowledge and skills, vocabulary and cross-curricular connections, allowing easy navigation between whole-school and unit-level views.

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1. Intent

This section outlines the overall R&W curriculum plan, including its structure, sequencing and the specific knowledge and skills students are expected to acquire.

Curriculum aims

Kapow Primary's Religion and worldviews (R&W) scheme of work aims to inspire pupils to become curious, reflective and open-minded thinkers. The

thoughtful citizens who can engage with diversity and contribute positively to a pluralistic society.

Visit the Religion and worldviews curriculum information pages online.

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Religion and worldviews curriculum overview

Religion and worldviews

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Long-term plan Progression of Skills & knowledge Vocabulary progression

Standard Mixed-age Condensed Download

Long-term plan Standard - Current (2025/26)

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
EYFS	What makes us special?	What are special times?	Why are some places special?	What makes the world special?	Why are some things special?	Why are some stories special?
Year 1	How did the world begin?	What do some people believe God looks like?	What is God's job?	Why should we care for the world?	How do we know that new babies are special?	Why should we care for others?

Visit the Religion and worldviews curriculum portal online.

Introduction

Kapow Primary offers full coverage of the KS1 and KS2 [Curriculum Framework for Religious Education in England](#) (2013).

This document contains each end of key stage requirement from the Curriculum Framework and information about the units that will help pupils on their learning journey to meeting that statement by the end of Year 2 and Year 6.

For EYFS: Reception, the document shows how following the long-term plan can target the 'Understanding the world' elements of Development Matters and help pupils to meet the Early Learning Goals by the end of Reception.

Please note that the Curriculum Framework is not a statutory document and therefore the statements within it are not legal requirements as in the National curriculum. Many Religious Education locally agreed syllabi are based on this document, however.

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Development matters across Kapow Primary's units - EYFS: Reception

Development matters statements: Understanding the world Children in reception will be learning to:	<u>What makes us special?</u>	<u>What are special times?</u>	<u>Why are some places special?</u>	<u>What makes the world special?</u>	<u>Why are some things special?</u>	<u>Why are some stories special?</u>	<u>Time to celebrate</u>
Talk about members of their immediate family and community.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
Name and describe people who are familiar to them.	✓		✓		✓		
Comment on images of familiar situations in the past.	Not covered in our R&W lessons. Please see our EYFS content for History .						
Compare and contrast characters from stories, including figures from the past.	✓					✓	
Draw information from a simple map.	Not covered in our R&W lessons. Please see our EYFS content for Geography .						
Understand that some places are special to members of their community.			✓		✓		
Recognise that people have different beliefs and celebrate special times in different ways.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Recognise some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries.	Not covered in our R&W lessons. Please see our EYFS content for Geography .						
Explore the natural world around them.				✓			
Describe what they see, hear and feel whilst outside.				✓			
Recognise some environments that are different from the one in which they live.	Not covered in our R&W lessons. Please see our EYFS content for Geography and Science .						
Understand the effect of changing seasons on the natural world around them.							
Development matters statements: Other areas Children in reception will be learning to:							
Personal, social and emotional development: See themselves as a valuable individual.	✓						
Communication and language: Listen to and talk about stories to build familiarity and understanding.						✓	
Communication and language: Engage in storytimes.						✓	✓

Early learning goals across Kapow Primary's units - EYFS: Reception

<p>Early learning goals Understanding the World: People Culture and Communities Children at the expected level of development will:</p>	<u>What makes us special?</u>	<u>What are special times?</u>	<u>Why are some places special?</u>	<u>What makes the world special?</u>	<u>Why are some things special?</u>	<u>Why are some stories special?</u>	<u>Time to celebrate</u>
<p>Know some similarities and differences between different religious and cultural communities in this country, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class.</p>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

<p>Early learning goals Understanding the World: Past and Present Children at the expected level of development will:</p>	<u>What makes us special?</u>	<u>What are special times?</u>	<u>Why are some places special?</u>	<u>What makes the world special?</u>	<u>Why are some things special?</u>	<u>Why are some stories special?</u>	<u>Time to celebrate</u>
<p>Talk about the lives of the people around them and their roles in society.</p>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓

<p>Early learning goals Literacy: Comprehension Children at the expected level of development will:</p>	<u>What makes us special?</u>	<u>What are special times?</u>	<u>Why are some places special?</u>	<u>What makes the world special?</u>	<u>Why are some things special?</u>	<u>Why are some stories special?</u>	<u>Time to celebrate</u>
<p>Anticipate – where appropriate – key events in stories.</p>						✓	
<p>Use and understand recently introduced vocabulary during discussions about stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems and during role-play.</p>						✓	

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<p>Describe their immediate environment using knowledge from observation, discussion, stories, non-fiction texts, and maps.</p>				✓			
<p>Know some similarities and differences between different religious and cultural communities in this country, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class.</p>		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
<p>Explain some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries, drawing on knowledge from stories, non-fiction texts and – when appropriate – maps.</p>							

<p>Early learning goals Understanding the World: Past and Present Children at the expected level of development will:</p>	<p><u>What makes us special?</u></p>	<p><u>What are special times?</u></p>	<p><u>Why are some places special?</u></p>	<p><u>What makes the world special?</u></p>	<p><u>Why are some things special?</u></p>	<p><u>Why are some stories special?</u></p>	<p><u>Time to celebrate</u></p>
<p>Talk about the lives of the people around them and their roles in society.</p>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓

Curriculum framework by Kapow Primary's units

<p>Key Stage 1 - Curriculum framework for Religious Education non statutory content</p> <p>Pupils should be taught to:</p>	<p>Kapow Primary topics Key stage 1 - Year 1</p>							<p>Additional celebration lessons (optional)</p>	
	<u>Respectful R&W</u>	<u>How did the world begin?</u>	<u>What do some people believe God looks like?</u>	<u>What is God's job?</u>	<u>Why should we care for the world?</u>	<u>How do we know that new babies are special?</u>	<u>Why should we care for others?</u>	<u>Christmas</u>	<u>Easter</u>
	A1. Recall and name different beliefs and practices, including festivals, worship, rituals and ways of life, in order to find out about the meanings behind them.		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
A2. Retell and suggest meanings to some religious and moral stories, exploring and discussing sacred writings and sources of wisdom and recognising the traditions from which they come.		✓		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
A3. Recognise some different symbols and actions which express a community's way of life, appreciating some similarities between communities.			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
B1. Ask and respond to questions about what individuals and communities do, and why, so that pupils can identify what difference belonging to a community might make.					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
B2. Observe and recount different ways of expressing identity and belonging, responding sensitively for themselves.						✓			
B3. Notice and respond sensitively to some similarities between different religions and worldviews.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		

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	C1. Explore questions about belonging, meaning and truth so that they can express their own ideas and opinions in response using words, music, art or poetry.	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		
C2. Find out about and respond with ideas to examples of co-operation between people who are different.						✓	✓		
C3. Find out about questions of right and wrong and begin to express their ideas and opinions in response.						✓	✓		

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<p>Key Stage 1 - Curriculum framework for Religious Education non statutory content</p> <p>Pupils should be taught to:</p>	<p>Kapow Primary topics Key stage 1 - Year 2</p>							<p>Additional celebration lessons (optional)</p>	
	<u>Respectful R&W</u>	<u>Why do we need to give thanks?</u>	<u>Why is light important to people?</u>	<u>How do we know some people feel a special connection to a god?</u>	<u>What is a prophet?</u>	<u>How do some people talk to God?</u>	<u>Where do some people talk to God?</u>	<u>Christmas</u>	<u>Easter</u>
	A1. Recall and name different beliefs and practices, including festivals, worship, rituals and ways of life, in order to find out about the meanings behind them.		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
A2. Retell and suggest meanings to some religious and moral stories, exploring and discussing sacred writings and sources of wisdom and recognising the traditions from which they come.		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
A3. Recognise some different symbols and actions which express a community's way of life, appreciating some similarities between communities.		✓				✓	✓	✓	✓
B1. Ask and respond to questions about what individuals and communities do, and why, so that pupils can identify what difference belonging to a community might make.		✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
B2. Observe and recount different ways of expressing identity and belonging, responding sensitively for themselves.		✓				✓	✓		
B3. Notice and respond sensitively to some similarities between different religions and worldviews.		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		

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	C1. Explore questions about belonging, meaning and truth so that they can express their own ideas and opinions in response using words, music, art or poetry.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
C2. Find out about and respond with ideas to examples of co-operation between people who are different.		✓							
C3. Find out about questions of right and wrong and begin to express their ideas and opinions in response.	✓								

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Key Stage 2 - Curriculum framework for Religious Education non statutory content Pupils should be taught to:	Kapow Primary topics Key stage 2 - Year 3							Additional celebration lessons (optional)	
	<u>Respectful R&W</u>	<u>What makes us human?</u>	<u>Where do our morals come from?</u>	<u>Is scripture central to religion?</u>	<u>What happens if we do wrong?</u>	<u>Why is water symbolic?</u>	<u>Why is fire used ceremonially?</u>	<u>Christmas</u>	<u>Easter</u>
	A1. Describe and make connections between different features of the religions and worldviews they study, discovering more about celebrations, worship, pilgrimages and the rituals which mark important points in life, in order to reflect on their significance.		✓		✓		✓	✓	✓
A2. Describe and understand links between stories and other aspects of the communities they are investigating, responding thoughtfully to a range of sources of wisdom and to beliefs and teachings that arise from them in different communities.			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
A3. Explore and describe a range of beliefs, symbols and actions so that they can understand different ways of life and ways of expressing meaning.		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
B1. Observe and understand varied examples of religions and worldviews so that they can explain, with reasons, their meanings and significance to individuals and communities.		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
B2. Understand the challenges of commitment to a community of faith or belief, suggesting why belonging to a community may be valuable, both in the diverse communities being studied and in their own lives.			✓				✓		
B3. Observe and consider different dimensions of religion, so that they can explore and show understanding of similarities and differences within and between different religions and worldviews.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		

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	<u>Respectful R&W</u>	<u>What makes us human?</u>	<u>Where do our morals come from?</u>	<u>Is scripture central to religion?</u>	<u>What happens if we do wrong?</u>	<u>Why is water symbolic?</u>	<u>Why is fire used ceremonially?</u>	<u>Christmas</u>	<u>Easter</u>
	<p>C1. Discuss and present thoughtfully their own and others' views on challenging questions about belonging, meaning, purpose and truth, applying ideas of their own in different forms including (e.g.) reasoning, music, art and poetry.</p>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<p>C2. Consider and apply ideas about ways in which diverse communities can live together for the well-being of all, responding thoughtfully to ideas about community, values and respect.</p>			✓				✓		
<p>C3. Discuss and apply their own and others' ideas about ethical questions, including ideas about what is right and wrong and what is just and fair, and express their own ideas clearly in response.</p>		✓	✓		✓				

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<p>Key Stage 2 - Curriculum framework for Religious Education non statutory content</p> <p>Pupils should be taught to:</p>	<p>Kapow Primary topics Key stage 2 - Year 4</p>							<p>Additional celebration lessons (optional)</p>	
	<u>Respectful R&W</u>	<u>Are all religions equal?</u>	<u>What makes some texts sacred?</u>	<u>Just how important are our beliefs?</u>	<u>Who was Jesus really?</u>	<u>Why is the Bible the best-selling book of all time?</u>	<u>Does the language of scripture matter?</u>	<u>Christmas</u>	<u>Easter</u>
	A1. Describe and make connections between different features of the religions and worldviews they study, discovering more about celebrations, worship, pilgrimages and the rituals which mark important points in life, in order to reflect on their significance.			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
A2. Describe and understand links between stories and other aspects of the communities they are investigating, responding thoughtfully to a range of sources of wisdom and to beliefs and teachings that arise from them in different communities.			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	
A3. Explore and describe a range of beliefs, symbols and actions so that they can understand different ways of life and ways of expressing meaning.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
B1. Observe and understand varied examples of religions and worldviews so that they can explain, with reasons, their meanings and significance to individuals and communities.			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
B2. Understand the challenges of commitment to a community of faith or belief, suggesting why belonging to a community may be valuable, both in the diverse communities being studied and in their own lives.				✓		✓			✓
B3. Observe and consider different dimensions of religion, so that they can explore and show understanding of similarities and differences within and between different religions and worldviews.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓

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	<u>Respectful R&W</u>	<u>Are all religions equal?</u>	<u>What makes some texts sacred?</u>	<u>Just how important are our beliefs?</u>	<u>Who was Jesus really?</u>	<u>Why is the Bible the best-selling book of all time?</u>	<u>Does the language of scripture matter?</u>	<u>Christmas</u>	<u>Easter</u>
	<p>C1. Discuss and present thoughtfully their own and others' views on challenging questions about belonging, meaning, purpose and truth, applying ideas of their own in different forms including (e.g.) reasoning, music, art and poetry.</p>	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		
<p>C2. Consider and apply ideas about ways in which diverse communities can live together for the well-being of all, responding thoughtfully to ideas about community, values and respect.</p>		✓				✓			✓
<p>C3. Discuss and apply their own and others' ideas about ethical questions, including ideas about what is right and wrong and what is just and fair, and express their own ideas clearly in response.</p>		✓				✓			

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Key Stage 2 - Curriculum framework for Religious Education non statutory content Pupils should be taught to:	Kapow Primary topics Key stage 2 - Year 5							Additional celebration lessons (optional)	
	<u>Respectful R&W</u>	<u>Why do people have to stand up for what they believe in?</u>	<u>Why doesn't Christianity always look the same?</u>	<u>What happens when we die? (Part 1)</u>	<u>What happens when we die? (Part 2)</u>	<u>Who should get to be in charge?</u>	<u>Why are some places in the world significant to believers?</u>	<u>Christmas</u>	<u>Easter</u>
	A1. Describe and make connections between different features of the religions and worldviews they study, discovering more about celebrations, worship, pilgrimages and the rituals which mark important points in life, in order to reflect on their significance.		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
A2. Describe and understand links between stories and other aspects of the communities they are investigating, responding thoughtfully to a range of sources of wisdom and to beliefs and teachings that arise from them in different communities.		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
A3. Explore and describe a range of beliefs, symbols and actions so that they can understand different ways of life and ways of expressing meaning.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
B1. Observe and understand varied examples of religions and worldviews so that they can explain, with reasons, their meanings and significance to individuals and communities.			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
B2. Understand the challenges of commitment to a community of faith or belief, suggesting why belonging to a community may be valuable, both in the diverse communities being studied and in their own lives.		✓	✓			✓	✓		
B3. Observe and consider different dimensions of religion, so that they can explore and show understanding of similarities and differences within and between different religions and worldviews.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		

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<p>Key Stage 2 - Curriculum framework for Religious Education non statutory content</p> <p>Pupils should be taught to:</p>	<p>Kapow Primary topics Key stage 2 - Year 5</p>							<p>Additional celebration lessons (optional)</p>	
	<u>Respectful R&W</u>	<u>Why do people have to stand up for what they believe in?</u>	<u>Why doesn't Christianity always look the same?</u>	<u>What happens when we die? (Part 1)</u>	<u>What happens when we die? (Part 2)</u>	<u>Who should get to be in charge?</u>	<u>Why are some places in the world significant to believers?</u>	<u>Christmas</u>	<u>Easter</u>
	<p>C1. Discuss and present thoughtfully their own and others' views on challenging questions about belonging, meaning, purpose and truth, applying ideas of their own in different forms including (e.g.) reasoning, music, art and poetry.</p>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
<p>C2. Consider and apply ideas about ways in which diverse communities can live together for the well-being of all, responding thoughtfully to ideas about community, values and respect.</p>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
<p>C3. Discuss and apply their own and others' ideas about ethical questions, including ideas about what is right and wrong and what is just and fair, and express their own ideas clearly in response.</p>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓

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<p>Key Stage 2 - Curriculum framework for Religious Education non statutory content</p> <p>Pupils should be taught to:</p>	<p>Kapow Primary topics Key stage 2 - Year 6</p>							<p>Additional celebration lessons (optional)</p>	
	<u>Respectful R&W</u>	<u>Why does religion look different around the world? (Part 1)</u>	<u>Why does religion look different around the world? (Part 2)</u>	<u>Why is it better to be there in person?</u>	<u>Why is there suffering? (Part 1)</u>	<u>Why is there suffering? (Part 2)</u>	<u>What place does religion have in our world today?</u>	<u>Christmas</u>	<u>Easter</u>
	A1. Describe and make connections between different features of the religions and worldviews they study, discovering more about celebrations, worship, pilgrimages and the rituals which mark important points in life, in order to reflect on their significance.	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓
A2. Describe and understand links between stories and other aspects of the communities they are investigating, responding thoughtfully to a range of sources of wisdom and to beliefs and teachings that arise from them in different communities.		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
A3. Explore and describe a range of beliefs, symbols and actions so that they can understand different ways of life and ways of expressing meaning.		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
B1. Observe and understand varied examples of religions and worldviews so that they can explain, with reasons, their meanings and significance to individuals and communities.		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
B2. Understand the challenges of commitment to a community of faith or belief, suggesting why belonging to a community may be valuable, both in the diverse communities being studied and in their own lives.		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
B3. Observe and consider different dimensions of religion, so that they can explore and show understanding of similarities and differences within and between different religions and worldviews.		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓

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	<u>Respectful R&W</u>	<u>Why does religion look different around the world? (Part 1)</u>	<u>Why does religion look different around the world? (Part 2)</u>	<u>Why is it better to be there in person?</u>	<u>Why is there suffering? (Part 1)</u>	<u>Why is there suffering? (Part 2)</u>	<u>What place does religion have in our world today?</u>	<u>Christmas</u>	<u>Easter</u>
	<p>C1. Discuss and present thoughtfully their own and others' views on challenging questions about belonging, meaning, purpose and truth, applying ideas of their own in different forms including (e.g.) reasoning, music, art and poetry.</p>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
<p>C2. Consider and apply ideas about ways in which diverse communities can live together for the well-being of all, responding thoughtfully to ideas about community, values and respect.</p>		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
<p>C3. Discuss and apply their own and others' ideas about ethical questions, including ideas about what is right and wrong and what is just and fair, and express their own ideas clearly in response.</p>				✓	✓	✓	✓		

Cross-curricular links - Year 1

National curriculum subjects	<u>Respectful R&W</u>	<u>How did the world begin?</u>	<u>What do some people believe God looks like?</u>	<u>What is God's job?</u>	<u>Why should we care for the world?</u>	<u>How do we know that new babies are special?</u>	<u>Why should we care for others?</u>
English	Spoken language: discussing what they think is true.	Reading: listening to, explaining and discussing creation stories. Spoken language: explaining and discussing ideas about how the world began.	Spoken language: participating in a discussion about why people might have different names for God; engaging in a collaborative conversation about the different representations of God across different worldviews.	Spoken language: participating in discussion about what some people might believe God does; taking part in role play to show ideas about God's roles.	Spoken language: participating actively in collaborative conversations about caring for the world and initiating and responding to comments. Reading: listening to religious stories, making inferences about caring for the world on the basis of what is being said and done.	Spoken language: participating actively in collaborative conversations about baby welcoming ceremonies. Reading: discussing word meanings, linking new meanings to those already know about baby welcoming ceremonies.	Spoken language: participating actively in collaborative conversations about caring for others. Reading: listening to religious stories, making inferences about caring for others on the basis of what is being said and done.
Maths		Number: using numbers 1-7 to order events in a story.					
Science		Working scientifically, Everyday materials: sorting objects and pictures into man-made or natural.					
Art and design		Using drawing or painting to show their ideas about creation.	Using drawing to share their ideas about God. Designing a Christmas card to show some Christian people believe that Jesus is the son of God.	Using drawing to share their ideas about God's role.		Designing a new baby card from someone who believes God created humans.	Using drawing or painting to show their ideas about caring for others.
Geography		Sorting objects and pictures into man-made or natural.					
RSE/PSHE	Discussing ways to show good speaking and listening. Respecting others and listening to their ideas.	Talking about how it feels to create something. Respecting others and listening to their ideas.	Respecting others even if they have different beliefs. Respecting others and listening to their ideas.	Respecting others and listening to their ideas.	Learning about the importance of respecting others by caring for the environment. Respecting others and listening to their ideas.	Exploring why families might celebrate a new baby. Respecting others and listening to their ideas.	Understanding the importance of respecting others, even when they are very different from them.

Cross-curricular links - Year 2

National curriculum subjects	<u>Respectful R&W</u>	<u>Why do we need to give thanks?</u>	<u>Why is light important to people?</u>	<u>How do we know some people feel a special connection to a god?</u>	<u>What is a prophet?</u>	<u>How do some people talk to God?</u>	<u>Where do some people talk to God?</u>
English		<p>Reading: listening to and discussing a Christian and a Hindu story.</p> <p>Writing: creating song lyrics.</p>	<p>Spoken language: considering different viewpoints from their peers about candles and festivals.</p> <p>Reading: linking stories to their own experiences.</p>	<p>Spoken language: participating in discussions about how we know that some people are believed to have a special connection to God.</p> <p>Reading: asking and answering questions about religious stories; making inferences based on what is said and done.</p>	<p>Reading: linking what they watch, hear and read to their own experiences; using vocabulary during discussions; asking and answering questions about the role of prophets.</p>	<p>Spoken language: participating in discussions and debates about what why people pray and what prayer can mean to different people.</p>	<p>Spoken language: participating in discussions and debates about the importance of place in prayer and the significance of places of worship and their features in different worldviews.</p>
Maths		<p>Statistics: using survey data to find out people's views about Harvest festival.</p>					
Science		<p>Seasonal changes: thinking about harvest as a time when crops are harvested.</p>					
Art and design			<p>Using drawing to develop and share their ideas about the meaning of candles.</p>				
Geography		<p>Talking about autumn being the season when harvest is celebrated in the UK.</p>	<p>Understanding and locating India on a world map.</p>				
Music		<p>Listening to worship songs; writing their own lyrics.</p>	<p>Listening to and interpreting music in order to learn about different cultures</p>				
RSE/PSHE	<p>Discussing big questions; creating guidelines for showing respect.</p>	<p>Discussing ideas with others and working collaboratively; respecting others and listening to their ideas.</p>	<p>Learning to accept similarities and differences between themselves and others; respecting others and listening to their ideas.</p>	<p>Respecting others and listening to their ideas.</p>	<p>Respecting others' ideas and opinions.</p>	<p>Respecting others' ideas and opinions.</p>	<p>Respecting others' ideas and opinions.</p>

Cross-curricular links - Year 3

National curriculum subjects	<u>Respectful R&W</u>	<u>What makes us human?</u>	<u>Where do our morals come from?</u>	<u>Is scripture central to religion?</u>	<u>What happens if we do wrong?</u>	<u>Why is water symbolic?</u>	<u>Why is fire used ceremonially?</u>
English		Spoken language: sharing and discussing their opinions.	Spoken language: sharing and discussing their opinions.	Word reading: applying their knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes and understand the meaning of new words. Reading: participating in discussions; developing positive attitudes.	Spoken language: listening and responding appropriately; sharing and discussing opinions. Reading: understanding and discussing what they read.	Writing: discussing and recording ideas about why water is important; creating poetry about water. Spoken language: listening and responding appropriately; sharing and discussing their opinions.	Spoken language: sharing ideas about why fire is used in different worldviews and practices. Reading: learning about different Zoroastrian views of the Atash Barham. Writing: writing sentences about what the Olympic flame represents.
Science						Plants: understanding that water is needed for plants to grow. States of matter: considering the practical uses of water.	States of matter: exploring how fire can cook food. Plants: making links between the needs of plants and the Hindu Trimurti.
Art and design		Using drawing to express ideas about the soul or inner self; exploring how others express abstract ideas.		Increased awareness of different kinds of art, craft and design.	Using painting to express abstract ideas about the soul's journey, including the impact of wrongdoing.	Creating a symbol to represent purity, incorporating ideas found in different worldviews.	
Geography						Human and physical geography: learning about the importance of water and water sources around the world; identifying environments where water is considered precious.	Human and physical geography Considering some of the impact of volcanic eruptions.
History				Placing their growing knowledge into different contexts, understanding the connections between religious and social history.			Learning about the origins of the Olympic flame and Olympic Games in Ancient Greece.
Music		Listening to and responding to music.					
RSE/PSHE	Appreciating the range of national, regional, religious and ethnic identities in the United Kingdom.	Respecting others' ideas and opinions.	Respecting others' ideas and opinions.	Respecting others' ideas and opinions.	Respecting others' ideas, opinions and beliefs.	Respecting others' ideas, opinions and beliefs.	Respecting others' ideas and opinions.

Cross-curricular links - Year 4

National curriculum subjects	<u>Respectful R&W</u>	<u>Are all religions equal?</u>	<u>What makes some texts sacred?</u>	<u>Just how important are our beliefs?</u>	<u>Who was Jesus really?</u>	<u>Why is the Bible the best-selling book of all time?</u>	<u>Does the language of scripture matter?</u>
English	Spoken language: taking part in discussions based on prompts about religious equality; giving and listening to instructions to draw a mystery object.	Spoken language: discussing ideas during collaborative tasks.	Spoken language: taking part in discussions. Reading: finding information in non-fiction texts.	Spoken language: sharing ideas and findings with a group.	Spoken language: sharing ideas and findings with a group; taking part in discussions.	Reading: finding information from non-fiction texts; interpreting the meaning of passages. Spoken language: discussing, explaining and presenting findings.	Reading: finding information from non-fiction texts; interpreting the meaning of passages. Spoken language: sharing viewpoints and information explored; presenting ideas.
Art and design			Exploring how art has been used to communicate; using drawing to represent abstract ideas.				
Geography		Looking at where religions originated on a world map.					Looking at diasporas on a world map.
History			Looking at communication in the past; using different types of information.			Placing events on a timeline; analysing the significance of people and events.	Developing a chronologically secure knowledge and understanding of local and world history; looking at communication in the past.
RSE/PSHE	Respecting others' ideas and opinions.	Respecting others' ideas and opinions.	Respecting others' ideas and opinions.	Respecting others' ideas and opinions; understanding that beliefs cannot always be seen externally.	Respecting others' ideas and opinions.	Respecting others' ideas and opinions.	Respecting others' ideas and opinions.

Cross-curricular links - Year 5

National curriculum subjects	<u>Respectful R&W</u>	<u>Why do people have to stand up for what they believe in?</u>	<u>Why doesn't Christianity always look the same?</u>	<u>What happens when we die? (Part 1)</u>	<u>What happens when we die? (Part 2)</u>	<u>Who should get to be in charge?</u>	<u>Why are some places in the world significant to believers?</u>
English	Spellings: understanding the etymology of the words 'atheist', 'agnostic' and 'theist'.	Reading: reading Hindu, Sikh, and Christian stories and identifying challenges.	Reading: reading extracts from the Bible; making links and comparisons within the Old and New Testaments. Spoken language: sharing viewpoints in role in a historical freeze-frame. Writing: creating a fact-file about different Christian denominations.	Reading: exploring extracts about death and the soul as well as prayers and readings. Spoken language: sharing viewpoints and information explored.	Reading: exploring extracts about the soul from Hindu and Sikh scripture; retrieving information from a resource about how Sikhs may find comfort after the death of someone. Spoken language: sharing viewpoints and information explored.	Reading: finding out about laws; exploring extracts from the Hadith. Spoken language: discussing the role of religious laws and the legal system; sharing ideas about successors and justifying their views.	Reading: reading extracts from different scripture; making links between non-fiction texts about mountains. Spoken language: sharing viewpoints and information explored; presenting ideas. Writing: responding to thought-provoking questions with reason and justification; creating guides.
Science					Properties and changes of materials: making links between a salt solution and the idea that people believe God is within everyone.		
Art and design				Creating sketches about their ideas of the concept of purgatory and heaven and annotating these; illustrating a remembrance piece.	Creating artwork to represent their ideas about the concept of samsara.		
Computing							
Geography							Locational knowledge and Human and physical geography: exploring different mountains around the world and noticing their location and significance.
History		Learning about the religious politics behind the Gunpowder Plot.	Considering the impact of the Romans on the spread of early Christianity.	Exploring Ancient Egyptian beliefs about the soul and judgement.		Learning about important religious leaders and the succession of the Sikh Gurus.	Exploring ancient events in scripture that lead to Jerusalem becoming a significant place.
RSE/PSHE	Taking part in discussions and sharing opinions.	Taking part in discussions and sharing opinions.	Taking part in discussions and sharing opinions.	Taking part in discussions and sharing opinions.	Taking part in discussions and sharing opinions.	Taking part in discussions and sharing opinions.	Taking part in discussions and sharing opinions.

Cross-curricular links - Year 6

National curriculum subjects	<u>Respectful R&W</u>	<u>Why does religion look different around the world? (Part 1)</u>	<u>Why does religion look different around the world? (Part 2)</u>	<u>Why is it better to be there in person?</u>	<u>Why is there suffering? (Part 1)</u>	<u>Why is there suffering? (Part 2)</u>	<u>What place does religion have in our world today?</u>
English	Spellings: using prefixes and understanding the etymology of the 'omni' words.	Reading: reading extracts from the Torah, Qur'an and Bible; interpreting Jewish, Muslim and Christian viewpoints.	Reading: reading and extracting information from stories about Hindu deities; exploring quotes from Hindus and Sikhs; reading a Buddhist diary. Spoken language: exchanging Buddhist guidance and demonstrating the importance of the Buddhist Council.	Spoken language: sharing their ideas about significant places, considering the viewpoints of others; justifying their reasoning. Writing: creating a response to a travel vlogger about rules surrounding entrance to a mosque.	Spoken language: sharing their ideas about suffering and considering the viewpoints of others; justifying their reasoning. Reading: reading and interpreting stories and quotes from scripture.	Spoken language: sharing their ideas about causes of and coping with suffering; debating; considering viewpoints and justifying their ideas. Reading: reading and interpreting Sikh and Buddhist stories and quotes from scripture. Writing: creating a letter in response to a Buddhist story.	Spoken language: sharing ideas and opinions about census data, religious spread, the value of R&W and answering big questions.
Maths							Analysing data expressed in terms of percentages.
Computing							Using digital mapping and data tools.
Geography		Human and physical skills: looking at how migration influenced Jewish culture and tradition.	Human and physical skills: identifying geographical features that influenced deity worship and Indian settlements.		Human and physical skills: identify causes of suffering including natural disasters.		Human geography: looking at religious distribution on digital mapping tools.
History							Noticing and discussing changes in census data over time.
RSE/PSHE	Taking part in discussions and sharing opinions.	Taking part in discussions and sharing opinions.	Taking part in discussions and sharing opinions.	Taking part in discussions and sharing opinions.	Taking part in discussions and sharing opinions.	Taking part in discussions and sharing opinions.	Taking part in discussions and sharing opinions; learning about human rights; considering how understanding other's beliefs can make better citizens.

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