

# Our Year 7 Religious Studies Curriculum

We aim to develop students as Religious studies practitioners who:

- Understand a range of religious beliefs and practices
- Are analytical and critical thinkers
- Appreciate the impact that religion has on believers and history

Big Ideas in Year 7 Religious studies:

Monotheism, Abrahamic Religions, Trinity, Messiah, Covenant, Prophets, Religious scripture and guidance, Worship, Festivals, Rites of Passage

Last year we learned about....

N/A

Next year we will learn about...

- Philosophy & Ultimate Questions – Does God exist?
- Philosophy & Ultimate Questions – Can religion & Science work together?
- Ethics – Beliefs and arguments around capital punishment

	Half Term 1	Half Term 2	Half Term 3	Half Term 4	Half Term 5	Half Term 6
Topic	Introduction to Christianity		Introduction to Judaism		Introduction to Islam	
Key Questions	What do Christians believe about God(Trinity)? How does the Bible guide Christians? What is a Miracle? Why is Jesus' death & resurrection important to Christians? Who is a Christian? What is a Church? What is Baptism & how does it affect a Christian?		What was the first covenant and how did Judaism start? How did G-d renew his covenant? How do Jews remember this covenant today? Mitzvah - How do Jews keep their side of the covenant? Torah – How do Jews receive guidance? Shabbat—How do Jews worship at home? The Synagogue—How do Jews worship? Bar/Bat Mitzvah – What is a son/daughter of the commandments? What are Kosher food laws? What do the festivals Rosh Hashanah & Yom Kippur remember? What is Sukkot & why is it celebrated?		Who is the 'Seal of the Prophets'? Why is the Qur'an special? What is a Mosque like? What are the 5 Pillars? Shahadah — What do Muslims believe about Allah? Salat — How do Muslims pray? Zakah — What do Muslims do with their money? Sawm — What is Ramadan? Hajj — How does Pilgrimage demonstrate a Muslim's faith?	
Assessment	Baseline assessment – Bible paragraph End of Unit assessment – Baptism		Mid-topic assessment – Passover paragraph End of Unit assessment – Bar/Bat Mitzvah diary entry		Mid-topic assessment – Qur'an paragraph End of Unit assessment – Hajj diary/postcards	
Cross-Curricular Links						

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