



LITERATURE-LED
CURRICULUM

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Curriculum Intent

Spa's Religious Education curriculum aims to equip pupils so that they will:



be ready to participate in life in **modern, diverse Britain**.



be **literate and articulate** about religions and beliefs.

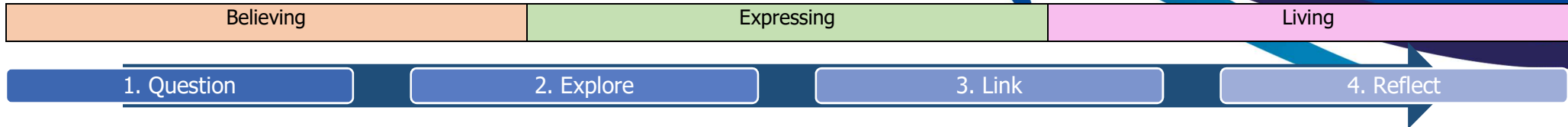


have a deeper **social, moral, spiritual and cultural** understanding at a **local, national and global level**.

Agreed Syllabus Coverage

	Christianity	Islam	Hinduism	Judaism	Non-religious
Believing					
What do different people believe about God?	✓	✓		✓	
Why is Jesus inspiring to some people?	✓				
Can we live by the values of Jesus in the twenty-first century?	✓				
What do religions say to us when life gets hard?	✓	✓	✓		✓
Expressing					
Why do people pray?	✓	✓	✓		
Why do some people think that life is a journey?	✓		✓	✓	
If God is everywhere, why go to a place of worship?	✓		✓	✓	
Is it better to express your religion in arts and architecture or in charity and generosity?	✓	✓			✓
Living					
What does it mean to be a Christian in Britain today?	✓				
What does it mean to be a Hindu in Britain today?			✓		
What does it mean to be a Muslim in Britain today?		✓			
What matters most to Christians and to Humanists?	✓				✓

Curriculum Sequencing



	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Year 3	<p>What do different people believe about God?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Seeing is believing...is it? What do I think about believing in God? What do Christians believe about God? God as love, father, light, creator, trinity, listener to prayers What do the stories of Moses and the Burning Bush and of Saint Paul's conversion tell us about God in Christianity? What do Muslims believe about Allah? What do Muslims believe about the Holy Quran, Allah's gift to humanity How do Hindu people show what they believe about gods and goddesses? Why are three of the gods of the Hindu way especially important? What difference does it make to life if you believe there is no God? Finding out about humanism What are the similarities and difference between different ideas about God? What have we learned about ideas of God from Hindus, Christians, Humanists and Muslims? 	<p>Why do people pray? Is prayer helpful?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> What is prayer? Is prayer helpful? How could we answer this question? What happens in Islamic prayer? What does this show us about Muslim beliefs and ways of life? How and why do Christians like to pray? How do Hindus pray and worship at home and in the Mandir? What is similar and different in the words of three prayers (Muslim, Christian, Hindu) Reflection: What more can we discover? Does reflection matter to me? Prayer and me: why do some people pray every day, but others not at all? What have we learned from Muslims, Hindus and Christians about prayer, symbols and worship? 	<p>What does it mean to be a Christian in Britain today?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> How do Christians show their beliefs in the home? What do Christians do to show their beliefs at Church? How and why do different Christians use music in worship? How and why do different Christians celebrate holy communion? How do Christians make a difference in their local community? Why do people stand up against injustice because of their religion?
Year 4	<p>Why is Jesus inspiring to some people?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> What does the word 'inspiring' mean? Who is inspiring? 	<p>Why do some people think that life is a journey? What significant experiences mark this?</p>	<p>What does it mean to be a Hindu in Britain today?</p>

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. What do we know about Jesus' life story? Is his story inspiring for some people? 3. Was Jesus inspiring because of his actions? 4. What did Jesus teach? Was he a good teacher? Was he an inspiring teacher? 5. Did Jesus' teachings inspire people? How and why? 6. Who did Jesus say he was? Why is he so important to Christians? 7. Why do Christians call the day Jesus died 'Good Friday' and the following Sunday his Resurrection day? 8. Is Jesus still important today? Why? Who to? How does it show? 9. What kind of image of Jesus for the 21st Century would pupils like to create? Might it be inspiring? 10. Does being inspired by Jesus make a person stronger? 11. Who is inspiring for me? Who is inspiring for other children in my class? 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What does a journey mean to us? 2. What is the significance of Baptism to Christians? 3. How do Jewish people mark becoming an adult? 4. What ceremonies do Hindus mark in the journey of life? 5. Why do people choose to get married? 6. Are all journeys similar? Can we compare the journeys of Christians, Jewish people and Hindus? 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How do Hindus show their faith? Faith in what? 2. A Hindu life; what is important? 3. Why is Mahatma Gandhi a Hindu Hero? 4. What is it like to be a Hindu in Britain today?
<p>Year 5</p>	<p>What would Jesus do? Can we live by the values of Jesus in the twenty-first century?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can you work out what mattered to Jesus from 10 things he said? What was his mission statement? 2. What is the importance of the value of love? How did Jesus teach his followers to love? 3. What do Jesus' parables about forgiveness teach to Christians today? 4. How do Christians today try to follow Jesus' teaching about justice and fairness? The example of Mother Teresa 	<p>If God is everywhere, why go to a place of worship?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is a place of worship? What is it for? 2. What is a Christian place of worship? What is it for? 3. What is a Hindu place of worship? What is it for? 4. What is a Jewish place of worship? What is it for? 5. Are people more important than the place? 6. What is a place of worship? What is it for? Revisited 	<p>What does it mean to be a Muslim in Britain today?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What helps you through the journey of life? What helps Muslims through the journey of life? 2. What is the key belief of Muslims? How does this affect their life? 3. Why does prayer matter to Muslims? 4. How is charity important to Muslims? How is charity important to you? 5. Why do Muslims fast? 6. Why do Muslims want to go on pilgrimage? 7. Where do people get advice and guidance from? 8. What is a special place for Muslims?

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. What did Jesus teach about being generous and being greedy? 6. What does the teaching of Jesus have to say about some problems people face today? What would Jesus do? 7. What does the teaching of Jesus have to say about some problems people face today? What would Jesus do? 8. What have we learned about living by the values of Jesus in the modern world? 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. What does a place of worship mean to believers? 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 9. Can you think of similar commitments to the five pillars in your life? What matters to Muslims?
<p>Year 6</p>	<p>What do religions say to us when life gets hard?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What questions have you got about what happens when we die? 2. What do some people think carries on after we have died? What is our soul? 3. Do some people believe that you come back to life as a different thing? What is reincarnation? 4. Do you go to heaven if you get things wrong? 5. What do Christians think happens when we die? 6. What do people who don't believe in God think happens when we die? 7. What different ideas are there about what happens when we die? What do I think? 	<p>Is it better to express your religion in arts and architecture or in charity and generosity?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What makes a place special? What is a sacred place? Are all places sacred? What is the value of a sacred place? 2. How do mosques buildings express Islamic beliefs and values? What makes a fine mosque? 3. Muslim calligraphy, painting and poetry: what is inspiring? 4. How do Christians use art in worship and in remembering Jesus? What do you admire about some works of art? 5. Can a Christian place of worship be a building for the 'glory of God'? What does this mean? 6. How and why do Muslim charities try to change the world? 7. How and why does Christian Aid try to change the world? 8. What matters more to Christians & Muslims: art and architecture or generosity and charity? What matters more to you? 	<p>What matters most to Christians and to Humanists?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Do rules matter? Why? What is a code for living? 2. Who is a humanist? What codes for living do non-religious people use? 3. What can we learn from discussion and drama about good & bad, right & wrong? 4. What codes for living do Christians try to follow? 5. What can we learn from a Values Game? 6. Peace: is it more valuable than any money? 7. Can we create a code for living that would help the world?