JYS Religious Education Long Term Curriculum Map

As they move through the school, the children have the opportunity to learn about the defining beliefs, concepts, symbols and teachings of different religions, and to find out about secular worldviews, such as Humanism. The religions studied are: Christianity, Judaism, Islam, Hinduism, Sikhism and Buddhism.

	Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Autumn 1		Nature	Signs and Symbols	Rules	Light	Pilgrimages	Religious Leaders
		WALT understand how different religions show thankfulness and care for the natural world.	WALT describe faith symbols and explain why they are each significant to their religion.	WALT describe the rules and routines of different religions, explaining why they are important.	WALT explain what light symbolises and why it is important in different religions.	WALT name places of pilgrimage and describe and compare the significance of these pilgrimages in different religions.	WALT describe and compare the role of religious leaders within different faith communities.
						WALT analyse and explain how pilgrimages are different to other types of journeys.	WALT identify the role of leaders in our lives and make comparisons to the role of faith leaders.
						WALT explore the thoughts, feelings and experiences of those who undertake a religious pilgrimage.	
Autumn 2		The Christmas Story	Gifts and Giving	Advent	Messengers	The Gospels	Sacred and Secular
	Religious Education woven into all areas of	WALT describe the key events of the Christmas story.	WALT understand why gifts are given during religious festivals.	WALT understand what the time of Advent means to Christians.	WALT understand the significance of messengers (angels and prophets) in different religions.	WALT identify the key differences in the four gospel accounts of the Christmas story given in the Bible.	Christmas WALT compare Christian and secular celebrations of Christmas.
Spring 1	the Early	Places of Worship (1)	Ceremonies	Places of Worship (2)	Trimurti	Pillars of Islam	Creation Stories
	Years Foundation Stage.	WALT understand why places of worship are important.	WALT understand what a ceremony is and describe significant events in different religious ceremonies.	WALT understand why places of worship are important.	WALT understand the core concept of the Trimurti in Hinduism.	WALT describe the Five Pillars of Islam and explain their significance to Muslims.	WALT analyse a range of different religious creation stories. WALT explain why Jews and
	'Let's	WALT describe key features of different places of worship.		WALT describe key features of different places of worship.			Christians have the same creation story.
	Celebrate!' theme – autumn 2						WALT compare scientific understanding of creation to religious creation stories.
Spring 2		Food and Fasting	Easter	The Piper Tapestry –	Overcoming Obstacles	Celebrations (related to	Eternity
		WALT understand why fasting and special foods are important in different religions.	WALT explain why Easter is a significant time for Christians and talk about the different ways that	Chichester Cathedral WALT understand the core concept of the Holy Trinity in Christianity.	WALT explore the significance and meaning of stories about the Hindu deity Ganesh.	key figures) WALT describe how religious festivals are related to key figures,	WALT describe the Hindu and Buddhist beliefs in reincarnation.
			Easter is celebrated by Christians.	WALT understand how visual		events and stories.	WALT explain what Christians believe happens after death.
			WALT describe the key events of the Easter story and identify if these were happy or sad times.	symbols are used to convey meaning in religious art.		WALT make comparisons between the symbolism of Passover and Easter.	WALT compare our own beliefs to the religious beliefs in eternity.
						WALT discuss the way verbal and non-verbal symbolic expression and action are used to convey meaning in religious celebrations.	

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Summer 1	Religious Education woven into all areas of the Early	Caring for Others WALT understand the importance of caring for others in different religions.	The Parables of Jesus WALT retell and suggest meanings of some religious and moral stories.	Welcoming and Belonging WALT describe what it means to belong to a community. WALT make comparisons between welcoming ceremonies in different religions.	Buddhist Beliefs and Practices WALT describe the key aspects of Buddhist beliefs.	Sacred Words WALT explore significant words, phrases, stories, prayers and texts from different religions.	Inspirational People of Faith WALT learn about the lives of different people of faith and to understand what inspires and motivates them to live in a particular way. WALT analyse what we find inspiring about these people.
Summer 2	Years Foundation Stage. 'Let's Celebrate!' theme – autumn 2	Beliefs about God WALT understand the main beliefs and teachings of different religions. WALT ask puzzling questions and share our own ideas about God.	Daily Lives WALT understand how people of different religions express their belief and faith in their daily lives.	Special Books and Sacred Texts WALT identify the religious texts for different religions. WALT make comparisons between how different faith groups show respect for their sacred texts.	Sharing and Community WALT understand how community and sharing are important in all religions.	Prayer WALT explain our own understanding of reflection and relate this to prayer. WALT explain the importance of prayer to both Christians and Muslims. WALT describe the Islamic prayer ritual (Salat). WALT identify the similarities and differences between prayer in the Islamic and Christian faiths.	Living together harmoniously WALT consider and apply ideas about ways in which diverse communities can live together for the well-being of all, and respond thoughtfully to ideas about community, values and respect.