

Religious Education 2023-2024

Curriculum Intent Statement

For pupils to develop their knowledge in RE in the following three areas: substantive knowledge - knowledge about artifacts, texts, lived experiences of religious and non-religious believers; disciplinary knowledge - knowledge about how we know about beliefs, the well-established methods and processes within RE and other tools of scholarship, the modes of enquiry and scholarly discourse of the subject; and personal knowledge - pupils build an awareness of their own presuppositions and values about the religious and non-religious traditions they study as well as their world views.

The intent is to achieve this through the Norfolk agreed syllabus which is delivered across the Infant and Junior schools. This syllabus acknowledges the importance of both religious and non-religious world views in human life. The intent is for pupils to receive an education in these areas to allow them to begin to prepare for being in a world where these views are expressed as part of public discourse. The aim is to lay the foundational understanding which will continue to be developed through RE in KS3 and KS4.

Pupils will be supported with their religious literacy at primary school – this means they will be able to hold balanced and well-informed conversations about religion and world views and be able to express this in written form. Pupils will be encouraged to be free thinking, critical participants in public discourse who can make informed, critical judgements about important matters of religion and belief which shape the global landscape. These matters will be explored through theological, philosophical and/or human/social science lenses. Pupils will be invited to express ideas and insights into the nature, significance and impact of these views through the multi-disciplinary approach. Pupils will have their spiritual, moral and cultural development promoted through the delivery of the RE curriculum.

Aims:

- To know about and understand a range of religious and non-religious worldviews by learning to see these through theological, philosophical and human/social science lenses.
- To express ideas and insights about the nature, significance and impact of religious and non-religious worldviews through a multidisciplinary approach. These are the disciplines of theology, philosophy and human/social sciences.
- To gain and deploy skills rooted in theology, philosophy and the human/social sciences engaging critically with religious and non-religious worldviews.

This syllabus promotes an enquiry-based process, using questions to guide learning and utilising the following stages:

Engage Stage 1: The new enquiry is introduced by exploring the conceptual focus and core question.

Enquire Stage 2: The enquiry is co-constructed with the pupils whilst staying within the parameters of the learning outcomes.

Explore Stage 3: Pupils enquire into the core question through the suggested core knowledge.

Evaluate Stage 4: Pupils respond to, analyse and evaluate their understanding of the core question.

Express Stage 5: Pupils express the knowledge and understanding they have gained to answer the key question, with an opportunity for the teacher to assess if pupils have met the age-related expectations if appropriate

ELGs related to Subject and Topics

Make the links from EYFS into KS1 and KS2:

Listening, Attention and Understanding

Listen attentively and respond to what they hear with relevant questions, comments and actions when being read to and during whole class discussions and small group interactions. Make comments about what they have heard and ask questions to clarify their understanding

Hold conversation when engaged in back-and-forth exchanges with their teacher and peers.

Speaking

Participate in small group, class and one-to-one discussions, offering their own ideas, using recently introduced vocabulary

Offer explanations for why things might happen, making use of recently introduced vocabulary from stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems when appropriate Express their ideas and feelings about their experiences using full sentences, including use of past, present and future tenses and making use of conjunctions, with modelling and support from their teacher.

Self-Regulation

Show an understanding of their own feelings and those of others, and begin to regulate their behaviour accordingly

Managing self

Explain the reasons for rules, know right from wrong and try to behave accordingly

Literacy

Comprehension

Children at the expected level of development will: - Demonstrate understanding of what has been read to them by retelling stories and narratives using their own words and recently introduced vocabulary; - Anticipate – where appropriate – key events in stories

Use and understand recently introduced vocabulary during discussions about stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems and during role-play

Writing

Write simple phrases and sentences that can be read by others

Understanding the World

Past and Present

Talk about the lives of the people around them and their roles in society

Know some similarities and differences between things in the past and now, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class Understand the past through settings, characters and events encountered in books read in class and storytelling

Understanding the World

People, Culture and Communities

Describe their immediate environment using knowledge from observation, discussion, stories, non-fiction texts and maps

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

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.

		Topic	Year 1		Topic	Year 2	
	HT1	How do people decide what is right and wrong? Religion: Christianity Discipline: Philosophy	What children will learn: -That the bible is made of two books – the Old Testament and the New Testament -That Jesus's life is an example for Christians to follow – 'what would Jesus do?' concept -What the 10 commandments are	What children will be able to do: -State the 10 commandments -Identify the two books of the bible -Describe how Jesus's life is an example to Christians -Explain how Christians live differently because of their beliefs	Who made the world? Religion: Christianity Discipline: Theology	What children will learn: -There are two parts to the bible, the Old Testament before Jesus and the New Testament, after him. Focus on the Old TestamentHow the world was made and how long it took -What the story tells Christians about God, creation and the worldHow Christians treat the world well because God made it and that they thank God for the world.	What children will be able to do: -Describe the Christian creation story and state how long it took God -Be able to identify which part of the bible the creation story is inState what Christians know about God, the world and creation from the creation story. Identify ways Christians treat the world well due to their belief that God made it.
Autumn	HT2	How do celebrations bring a people together? Religion: Christianity, Judaism, Hinduism Discipline: Human/social sciences	What children will learn: -What communal celebrations include for Christmas, Hannukah and Diwali -What happens at places of worship during these celebrations -The role of charitable giving during these celebrations	What children will be able to do: -Describe communal celebrations during Christmas, Hannukah and Diwali -State the role of places of worship in communal celebrations -How charitable giving during religious festivals brings people together and strengthens communities	What does it mean to be part of a Christian family? Religion: Christianity Discipline: Human/social sciences	What children will learn: -What a family is and how this can be extended to a faith familyWhat faith families do together -Why faith families meet together (church) -What faith families do when they meet together (church service) -Special places faith families might visit together (pilgrimage) -Special occasions that faith families celebrate together (Christmas)	What children will be able to do: -State what is meant by a 'faith family' -Identify things faith families do together, including church services, pilgrimages and celebrations -State what happens at a church service to bring a faith family together.
Spring	HT3	What does the cross mean to Christians?	What children will learn: -That for Christians, Jesus dying on the cross	What children will be able to do:	How do Jewish people celebrate Passover/Pesach?	What children will learn: -The story of Passover	What children will be able to do:

		Religion: Christianity Discipline: Theology	paid for the sins of humankind so people can go to heaven and that the cross is a symbol of this.	-State the importance of the cross as a symbol and explain what it represents for Christians -State what happened when Jesus died and explain what Jesus dying on the cross means for Christians	Religion: Judaism Discipline: Human/social sciences	-The role God played in the story of Passover (using Moses as a messenger of his demand that the Israelites are freed and intervening by sending plagues)	-Describe the story of Passover -Identify what God did during the story
	HT4	What does the cross mean to Christians? Religion: Christianity Discipline: Theology	What children will learn: -That the Eucharist (bread and wine) is a Christian ritual to remember the sacrifice of JesusThat Easter is a happy festival for Christians as it was the event which allows them to go to heaven.	What children will be able to do: -Give reasons why Easter is a happy celebration for Christians -Describe the stages of the Eucharist ritual and what it symbolises	How do Jewish people celebrate Passover/Pesach? Religion: Judaism Discipline: Human/social sciences	What children will learn: -How Jews celebrate Passover -The foods that are included on a Seder plate and their symbolic significance	What children will be able to do: -Describe ways Jewish people celebrate Passover -State what is on a Seder plate and explain what each item symbolises.
Summer	НТ5	What do Jewish people remember on Shabbat? Religion: Judaism Discipline: Philosophy	What children will learn: -When Shabbat is (sunset on Friday to sunset on Saturday)Why Shabbat is celebrated (creation & Torah instruction)	What children will be able to do: -State when Shabbat is -Explain why Shabbat is celebrated -Describe what happens during Shabbat	Why do people have different views about the idea of God? Religion: Christianity, Judaism Touch on: Islam, Hinduism Discipline: Philosophy	What children will learn: -Where views/beliefs come from and who helps people to form them (holy books and religious teachers) -What do Christians/ Jews /Muslims /Hindus use to learn about their gods? (Holy books)	What children will be able to do: -State where views and beliefs come from -Identify which holy book belongs to which religion -Identify which religious leader belongs to which religion -List ways God is viewed in Christianity, Judaism, Islam and Hinduism
	НТ6	What do Jewish people remember on Shabbat? Religion: Judaism Discipline: Philosophy	What children will learn: -The importance of candles -The meals eaten during Shabbat - The visit to the synagogue	What children will be able to do -State what happens during Shabbat -Describe how and when candles are used and	Why do people have different views about the idea of God? Religion: Christianity Discipline:	What children will learn: -Stories from Christianity and Judaism that teach believers about the nature of God -Ways Jews/Christians live differently because of	What children will be able to do: -Retell a story from Christianity and state two views about what God is like based on this.

	-What the Havdalah	explain the significance	Philosophy	their beliefs about the	-Retell a story from
	ceremony is	of them		nature of God	Judaism and state two
	-	-Describe the meals			views about what God is
		eaten during Shabbat			like based on this.
		Describe the Havdalah			Identify ways Christians
		ceremony			and Jews live differently
					due to their beliefs
					about the nature of God

		Topic	Year 3		Topic	Year 4	
Autumn	HT1	How do the beliefs of Hindus affect the way they live their lives? Religion: Hinduism Discipline: Human/social sciences	What children will learn: -Hindu beliefs about the soul -What the Upanishads are and that they are a source of authority for Hindus -Beliefs in atman which lead to beliefs in samsara, karma and the value of ahimsaThe ways beliefs impact on the ways Hindus live and how they see othersThe link between Hindu beliefs and vegetarianism, nonviolence, dharma, treatment of women and minorities, environmentalism and ascetism.	What children will be able to do: -State what Hindus believe about the soul -State what the Upanishads are and why they're important for Hindus -Identify Hindu life choices -Link a Hindu belief to the resulting lifestyle choice from a list provided by teachers.	Can we know if prayer works? Religion: Christianity and Islam Discipline: Philosophy	What children will learn: -What prayer is -Why people pray -How prayer creates a relationship with God -Differences in ways religious groups pray Comparing Christianity with Islam Places of worship/prayer for Christians and Muslims -Ways religious people feel their prayers are answered (no can be an answer!)	What children will be able to do: -State what prayer is and give examples of prayers -Explain reasons why people pray -Identify differences in prayers between religions and within religions -Identify places of worship/prayer for Muslims and Christians -Describe ways religious people feel their prayers are answered
	HT2	What do Muslims believe about God? (Please be aware that no images of Allah or Mohammed should be shared as part of	What children will learn: -Who prophet Mohammed was and what he did -What the Revelations mean to Mohammed and his followers	What children will be able to do: -Explain who Mohammed was and what the Revelations meant to him and his followers	How do Christians contribute to society and culture? Religion: Christianity	What children will learn: -The role the church/Christianity played in medical care throughout history -The role the church/Christianity played	What children will be able to do -Explain how the laws in the UK reflect Christian 'laws' such as the 10 Commandments

		presentations or worksheets due to cultural sensitivity) Religion: Islam Discipline: Theology	-What the Qur'an is and why it is important -What the Hadith is and what Mohammed taught. Why the Hadith is important -What the six articles of Sunni Belief are -That Muslims have 99 names for Allah How Muslims show respect to Allah in their daily life (prayer rituals)	-Identify the role Mohammed played in the receiving Allah's message and recording the Qur'an -Explain what Mohammed taught and why the Hadith is important to MuslimsState the six articles of Sunni Belief -State ways Muslims show respect to Allah in their daily life	Discipline: Human and social scientist	in schooling and education throughout history -Religious beliefs and Christianity inspiring art -The role Christianity played in creating laws -The role Christian places of worship influenced progress in architecture -Christian charities and their contribution to society -Cultural practices founded in Christianity e.g. school holidays, shops shut early on Sundays, Sunday as a rest day etc	-Give examples of Christian art and architecture -Give examples of Cultural practices founded in Christianity e.g. school holidays, shops shut early on Sundays etc -Give examples of Christian charities and the impact they have -Explain the role Christianity had in giving medical care throughout history
Spring	HT3	What is Philosophy? How do people make moral decisions? Religion: multiple Discipline: Philosophy	What children will learn: -What philosophy means (the love of knowledge translation/the study of the nature of knowledge, reality, and existence.) -How we know what is real and the difference between knowing and believing	What children will be able to do: -State what philosophy means -Describe the differences between knowing and believing, giving examples of ways we 'know' that something is real or true.	Why do Christians call the day Jesus died, 'Good Friday'? Religion: Christianity Discipline: Theology	What children will learn: -What happened on Palm Sunday (Jesus riding into Jerusalem) -What happened on Maundy Thursday (the last supper was Passover as Jesus and his disciples were Jewish) -Judas's betrayal and Peter's denial being foretold and what they mean	What children will be able to do: -Describe the events in the Easter story with specific focus on Palm Sunday and Maundy ThursdayExplain the meaning behind the foretelling of Judas's betrayal and Peter's denial.
	HT4	What is Philosophy? How do people make moral decisions? Religion: Multiple Discipline: Philosophy	What children will learn: -What philosophers do and the philosophy of Socrates and Plato -What morality is and how we know what is right and wrong	What children will be able to do -State what philosophers do and give examples from Socrates and PlatoExplain what morality is and give an example of deciding between right and wrong.	Why do Christians call the day Jesus died, 'Good Friday'? Religion: Christianity Discipline: Theology	What children will learn: -How remembering the Easter story through Easter rituals makes a difference to how Christians live -The ways Christians mark Easter events in their communities	What children will be able to do: -Describe a Christian Easter celebration -Explain how the Easter celebration rituals make a difference to the lives of Christians

	HT5	What is the trinity?	What children will learn:	What children will be	What difference does	What children will learn:	What children will be
		Tributio die dinney.	-That God is one in three	able to do:	being a Muslim make to	-What the 5 pillars of Islam	able to do:
		Religion: Christianity	parts	-State the three parts of	daily life?	are	-Identify ways Muslims
			-The three parts of the	the trinity	,	-The words of Shahadah	put their beliefs into
		Discipline:	trinity – Father, Son,	-Identify which parts of	Religion: Islam	-How the 5 Salah prayers	practice e.g. praying 5
		Theology	Holy Spirit	the bible tell Christians	Kengion. islam	are practiced	times a day
		Theology	- Which parts of the	about the trinity and	Discipline:	-What Zakat is	-State what the 5 pillars
			bible tell Christians	baptism	Human and social		of Islam are
			about the trinity and	·	sciences		-Recite the Shahadah in
			baptism:		sciences		English.
			There is one God (e.g.				-Identify the important
			Deuteronomy 6:4 states				steps in Salah prayers
			that "The Lord our God				-State what Zakat is and
			is one Lord")				how it helps others in
			The Trinity consists of 3				the Islamic community
			persons e.g. Genesis				
			(1:26) states that God				
			said "Let us make man in				
			our image"; Matthew				
Summer			wrote in his gospel: "Go				
Summer			therefore and make				
			disciples of all nations,				
			baptizing them in the				
			name of the Father and				
			of the Son and of the				
			Holy Spirit (Matthew				
			28:19).				
	HT6	What is the trinity?	What children will learn:	What children will be	What difference does	What children will learn:	What children will be
			-How belief in the trinity	able to do:	being a Muslim make to	-Why Ramadan is	able to do:
		Religion: Christianity	is reflected in worship	-Explain how Christians	daily life?	important to Muslims	-State what Ramadan is
			-How the trinity is	worship in ways which		-The Hajj pilgrimage,	and explain why it is
		Discipline:	represented in	honour all parts of the	Religion: Islam	where it is and why it is	important to Muslims
		Theology	Christianity	trinity		important to Muslims	-Identify where Hajj
				-Identify ways the trinity	Discipline:	-The two Eid festivals,	takes place, describe
				is represented in	Human and social	what they are celebrating	the rituals involved and
				Christianity	sciences	and how they are celebrated	explain the importance
						ceiebiateu	to Muslims -Describe both Eid
							festivals and why they
							are celebrated
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		Topic	Year 5		Topic	Year 6	
	HT1	What reasons are there	What children will learn:	What children will be	Is being happy the	What children will learn:	What children will be
		for believing in God?	-Explore ancient beliefs	able to do:	greatest purpose in life?	-What humanism is and	able to do:
			about gods/goddesses.	-Describe ancient		the role happiness plays	-Explain the purpose of
		Religion: Multiple	Why did they believe?	religious beliefs and	Religion: Christianity and	for them	life for a hedonist
			Why do they no longer	explain why these beliefs	Buddhism	-What Hedonism is and	-Explain what the
		Discipline:	believe today?	are no longer popular		the role happiness plays	purpose of life is for a
		Philosophy	-Why God is	today	Discipline:	for them	humanist
		. ,	important/special to	-Give reasons why God is	Philosophy	-What Dukkha is for	-Explain what the
			religious believers	important to religious	. ,	Buddhists	purpose of life is for a
			-The role upbringing	believers		-What the four noble	Christian, using at least
			plays in belief in God	-Explain the role		truths and the eightfold	one parable and the
			-The role religious	upbringing plays in		path teaches Buddhists	golden rule as evidence
			experience plays in belief in God - miracles	holding a belief in God		about the purpose of life	-Explain what the
			-The complexity of the	-Describe miracles, explain what they are		-The golden rule in Christianity	purpose of life is for a
			universe and the design	and why they lead to		-Examples of Christian	Buddhist using the four
			argument – Paley's	belief in God		parables showing the	noble truths and the
			watch	-Describe the design		Golden Rule as being the	eightfold oath as
			-What God look like.	argument (Paley's		purpose in life	evidence
			Reasons why God is	watch) and how it leads		purpose in inc	
Autumn			viewed differently by	to belief in God.			
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			different religions				
	HT2	How do Hindus express	What children will learn:	What children will be	Does religion bring	What children will learn:	What children will be
		their beliefs about God?	-What happens during	able to do:	peace, conflict or both?	-Christian attitudes	able to do:
			Hindu worship in the	-Describe worship at a		towards war with	-Explain Christian
		Religion: Hinduism	mandir	mandir	Religion: Islam,	evidence from the bible	attitudes towards war
			-Why a bell is rung when	-Describe worship at	Christianity, Judaism	-Islamic attitudes	with evidence from the
		Discipline:	entering a mandir	home	,,	towards war with	bible
		Theology	-What puja worship is	-Explain the importance	Discipline:	evidence from the	-Explain Islamic attitudes
			and how it is practiced at	of murti statues and	Human/social sciences	Qur'an and hadith	towards war with
			home	what they represent	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	-Jewish attitudes	evidence from the
			-What a murti statue is	-Give examples of how		towards war with	Qur'an and hadith
			and why it is important	Hindus show respect to		evidence from the Torah	-Explain Jewish attitudes
			to Hindus	their gods during		-Examples of religious	towards war with
			-Examples of mantras	worship		wars e.g. crusadesImpact religious beliefs	evidence from the Torah
			used during prayer -Examples of offerings	-Explain what atman is and how it links		have had on wars in	-Give examples of
			made during worship	everyone to Brahman		modern history – WW2	religious wars e.g. crusades.
			-Values which are	everyone to brannan		-Examples of world	ci usaues.
			important to Hindus			religions working	
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			-What Atman is and how it links everyone to Brahman	-State the values which are important to Hindus and how they reflect beliefs about God		together to solve issues e.g. the IFN (Inter-faith organisation)	-Explain the role attitudes towards other religions played in WW2 -Give examples of religious groups working together to solve world issues
Spring	НТЗ	What difference does resurrection make to Christians? Religion: Christianity Hinduism Discipline: Theology	What children will learn: -What reincarnation means for Hindus -What resurrection means for Christians -The difference between reincarnation and resurrection -That Christians use Jesus's resurrection as evidence that he was God incarnateThat Christians believe Jesus being God incarnate allows people to receive salvation -That people live differently if they believe Jesus was God incarnate.	What children will be able to do: -Define reincarnation -Define resurrection -Compare resurrection and reincarnation -Explain how Christians believe that Jesus being reincarnated shows Jesus was God incarnate.	Creation and science: conflicting or complementary? Religion: Islam, Christianity, Judaism Discipline: Human/social sciences	What children will learn: -The Hindu creation story -The Christian '7 days of creation' story from Genesis -An overview of the Big Bang Theory -An overview of evolution	What children will be able to do: -Describe Hindu and Christian creation stories -Give an overview of the Big Bang Theory and evolution
	HT4	What difference does resurrection make to Christians? Religion: Christianity Hinduism Discipline: Theology	What children will learn: -That Christians use Jesus's resurrection as evidence that he was God incarnateThat Christians believe Jesus being God incarnate allows people to receive salvation -That people live differently if they believe Jesus was God incarnate.	What children will be able to do: -Explain how Christians believe that Jesus was God incarnate allows them to receive salvation Identify the ways Christians life differently because of their beliefs that Jesus was God incarnate.	Creation and science: conflicting or complementary? Religion: Christianity and Hinduism Discipline: Theology	What children will learn: -The similarities between creation stories in religion and science -The differences between creation stories and science	What children will be able to do: -Compare the creation stories to the scientific theories -Give reasons why the religious creation stories are compatible with science -State differences between the scientific theories and the creation stories.

Summer	HT5	What does it mean to be part of a global Islamic community? Religion: Islam Discipline: Human/social sciences	What children will learn: -The importance of going to Mosque for Muslims -What Ummah is -What Zakat is and where the money goes	What children will be able to do: -Explain why going to the Mosque is important for Muslims -State what the Ummah is -Explain what Zakat is and where the money goes	How do people make sense of the world we live in? Religion: Christianity and Buddhism Discipline: Philosophy	What children will learn: -Illusion – can we trust our senses? -Reason – how it helps us to know what is real -How following a religion gives people an understanding of the nature of the world -What makes a religion and whether you need belief in God for it to be a religion (Buddhism) -The role holy books play for understanding the world and how religious stories help believers to make sense of the world (e.g. creation stories)	What children will be able to do: -Explain ways our senses are unreliable with examplesExplain how reason can help us to understand the world we live in -Explain what it means to follow a religion -Explain what components are needed for religion, including the role God plays -Explain how religious stories help believers to understand the world and the roles holy books play for religious believers and their relationship to the world
	HT6	What does it mean to be part of a global Islamic community? Religion: Islam Discipline: Human/social sciences	What children will learn: -The work of Islamic relief and why Muslims donate to them The importance of Hajj and how it supports the idea of Ummah	What children will be able to do: -Identify examples of work by Islamic Relief and the contribution they make to the Muslim community -Describe the Hajj and explain how it contributes to the concept of Ummah	How do people make sense of the world we live in? Religion: Christianity and Buddhism Discipline: Philosophy	What children will learn: -Miracles and what causes them according to religious believers -What different religious and non-religious believers think happens when we die — legacy/reward in afterlife etc.	What children will be able to do: -Describe miracles and how they affirm belief for religious believers and their understanding of the world -Describe beliefs in the afterlife and how this can help people to make sense of their lives