

Name of subject: **RE**

Organisational Structure

Class	RE Focus Autumn 1	RE Focus Autumn 2	RE Focus Spring 1	RE Focus Spring 2	RE Focus Summer 1	RE Focus Summer 2
Larks YR. R/1 Cycle 1	Christianity: Why is the word God so important to Christians?	Christianity: Why do Christians perform nativity plays?	Judaism: The Torah Why is the Torah such a joy for the Jewish community?	Christianity: Why do Christians put a cross in an Easter garden?	Hinduism Good Karma Rama and Sita	Christianity: What makes every single person unique and precious?
Larks YR.R/1 Cycle 2	Christianity: Why is the word God so important to Christians?	Christianity: Why do Christians perform nativity plays?	Judaism: Mitzvot/tzedakah Why is learning to do good deeds so important to Jewish people?	Christianity: Why do Christians put a cross in an Easter garden?	Christianity: How can we care for our wonderful world?	Christianity: How can we help others when they need it?

EYFS/YR.1 Cycle 1

Title	Christianity: Why is the word God so important to Christians?	
Overview	The key question: Why is the word God so important to Christians? lays foundations for understanding that Christians believe that the universe is not random but the creation of the Holy God who designed and gave life and purpose to our world.	
	This unit is the first of two underpinned by the idea of 'creation' as expressed in the Christian faith. The Teacher directed sessions provide links for children with Christian beliefs in God as the creator and the idea of God being a holy or special name.	
Vocabulary	God, Bible, Jesus, Christian, Church, Belief Create, VIP, Invisible, treasure	
Key Learning Objectives	 To talk about when and where people use my name and why To talk about something that is important to me and why To recognise that the word 'God' is an important name for Christians To talk about who is important or special to me To talk about when I have heard the word God used in my family or class To remember something that happens in the bible story creation To remember Jesus parable of the Precious Pearl and know it is special to Christians 	
Suggested Learning Experiences	 Share a beautiful treasure box full of special objects Children to create their own special treasure box Go on a 'name walk' To make a VIP display To celebrate Harvest Festival 	
Title	Christianity: The Christmas Story	

Overview	The key question: Why do Christians perform Nativity Plays at Christmas? lays foundations for understanding that Christians believe they encounter God in the historical person of Jesus. They celebrate Jesus' nativity (birth) because it is the coming of God to earth, not just as a human baby but as God 'incarnate' on earth.
	The second key question: What makes every single person unique and precious? focuses on the belief that every person is a unique 'incarnation' / person, made in the image of God. Both questions also offer pointers to religious beliefs held by others.
Vocabulary	Jesus, God, nativity, Bethlehem, Jerusalem, celebrations, Bible, Christian, church, Christmas, belief, followers, worship, family
Key Learning Objectives	 To remember a Christian story and talk about it (The Nativity) To use the right names for things and places (church) that are special in a religion To talk about things that happen to me To talk about what I find interesting or puzzling To talk about what is important to me and to other people To know the significance of the word 'God'
Suggested Learning Experiences	 Use a crib set to explore the Nativity story – hear different parts of the story and match up the figures. Dress up as Nativity characters and discuss these Discuss how we celebrate birthdays and how this relates Jesus' birth Hear / sing simple Christmas carols Look at different pictures of Jesus's life, and create your own pictures

Title	Judaism: The Torah- Why is the Torah such a joy for the Jewish Community?
Overview	This unit will provide an introduction to Judaism, looking at figures (leaders/teachers) who have an influence on others locally, nationally and globally in a religion. This will include the key question – Why is the Torah such a joy for the Jewish community? The focus is on the key concept of Torah looked at, through the celebration of Simchat Torah, a Jewish festival, and the story of Moses as the great Jewish leader and teacher, and how the Torah or teaching is read in the Synagogue, and symbolized in the home by the Mezuzah.
Vocabulary	Torah, respect, Jew, Judaism, festival, synagogue, menorah, Moses, Hebrew, Rabbi, Mezuzah, celebration
Key Learning Objectives	➤ To remember a Jewish story and talk about it

	 To use the right names for things special in a religion, and talk about some of the things that are the same for different religious people Begin to understand the role of holy books and why they are important to people. To talk about things that happen to me To talk about what I find interesting or puzzling To talk about what is important to me and to other people
Suggested Learning Experiences	 Unpack a 'party bag' of items used in Simchat Torah Make flags and scrolls and act out a procession for Simchat Torah Read or watch sections of the story of Moses Make a giant scroll with the story of Moses, and an 'ark' to keep it as would be done in a synagogue Make a little case with important words in, relating it to a mezuzah Think about and make a display about joy

Title	Christianity: Easter Symbols and artefacts
Overview	The key question: What are the best symbols of Jesus' death and resurrection at Easter? lays foundations for understanding that Christians believe Jesus died on a cross to rescue humanity from the sin which cuts them off from God. Christians believe Jesus was raised from death and offers them forgiveness of sin and new life with him in heaven. The cross symbolises these beliefs.
Vocabulary	God, Jesus, Bible, teaching, help, rescue / save, Easter, Good Friday, Palm Sunday, bridge, cross, hosanna (save us), forgive, symbol, tradition
Key Learning Objectives	 To remember a Christian story and talk about it (Easter) To use the right names for things that are special in a religion (cross) Recognise, name and describe practices relating to religion To recognise and talk about religious art, symbols and words Explain rituals and begin to understand the meaning of them, including their own experiences. To talk about things that happen to me To talk about what I find interesting or puzzling To talk about what is important to me and to other people

Suggested	Use the story of the Billy Goats Gruff to think about the purpose of a
Learning	bridge – to get you to a better (safer) place
Experiences	Make different shapes with your body – can you make an x shape?
	Hear the story of Easter, use objects to act out parts of it
	Make a 'procession' with palm leaves
	Share hot cross buns and talk about what the meaning is
	Easter story photo shoot of different emotions throughout the story

Title	Hinduism		
	Religion & the Individual and Inspirational People		
	Good Karma & Rama & Sita		
Overview	In this unit the children will be introduced to the faith of Hinduism. Children will		
	understand the Hindu belief 'Dharma' which underpins this unit. Learning		
	about the Story of Rama and Sita, children will look closely at each character		
	and using the belief of Dharma, discuss if they fulfilled their duty. Children will		
	also learn about the Hindu belief 'Karma' and understand why Hindu's would		
	like to collect good karma.		
Vocabulary	Hinduism, Hindu's, karma, responsible, actions, acts of kindness, duty, Rama		
	& Sita (and other characters from the story), Diwali, Diva lamp		
Key Learning	To be introduced to the faith Hinduism		
Objectives	To understand the Hindu belief 'Karma'		
	To learn about why Hindu's would like to collect good karma		
	To begin to learn about the beliefs of Hindu's		
	To understand the Hindu belief 'Dharma'		
	To know the story of Rama and Sita		
	To analyse the characters and their Dharma from the story of		
	Rama and Sita		
	➤ To understand how the Hindu community celebrate Rama & Sita		
Suggested	Complete a KWL about Hinduism		
Learning	To play Snakes & Ladders to illustrate the idea of karma		
Experiences	Read the Panchatantra stories		
	Recognise acts of kindness as karma		
	Reflective tasks		
	Circle Time discussions		
	Read and/or watch the story of Rama & Sita		
	Sequence the story		
	Role Play the story		

Title	Christianity: what makes people unique?
Overview	This unit looks at the key question: 'What makes every single person unique and precious?' It lays foundations for understanding the Christian belief that all humans are made in the image of God. each an 'incarnation', a physical being known and loved by him. The unit draws on Christian material related to Biblical narrative, church life and Christian living.

	This unit also looks at a second key question: 'How can we care for our wonderful world?' This makes the link that we are all precious and unique, but Christians also believe humans are a special part of God's creation and have a God-given responsibility to care for the incredible world we all share.
Vocabulary	Jesus, God, precious, unique, Bible, Christian, church, family, welcome, believe, thanksgiving, awesome, treasure, creation/creator/create, design, responsible, caretaker, special/holy, wonder/ wonderful, morals, values, right/wrong,respect
Key Learning Objectives	 To remember a Christian story and talk about it To use the right names for things that are special in a religion To recognise and talk about religious art, symbols and words To talk about things that happen to me To talk about what I find interesting or puzzling To talk about what is important to me and to other people

EYFS/YR.1 Cycle 2

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Title	Judaism: Mitzvot/Tzedakah
Overview	The key question: Why is learning to do good deeds so important to Jewish people? Mitzvot means good deed or action. It also refers to a command or required action for a Jewish person. The Torrah contains 613 commands or Mitzvot given by God, to the Jewish nation, including the ten commandments. In Judaism, helping those in need is a commandment, a sacred obligation, but it does not mean charity. Tzedakah comes from the Hebrew word which means righteousness or justice. Therefore, giving 'Tzedakah' is not just a nice thing to do it is the right thing to do; what God requires of his people.
Vocabulary	Jewish, Judaism, Mitzvot, Tzedakah box, good deed, God, Commandment, Torrah, sacred, obligation, justice, Shabbat
Key Learning Objectives	 To talk about something good someone did for me To make a get well card

	To recognise the word 'God' and 'Mitzvot' as important to Jewish people
	 To talk about when someone has done a good deed to me or my friends and family
	To talk about what is important to me about good deeds that help people and why
	To recognise a good deed a person is doing because of their religion
	To suggest why a Tzedakah box is important to a Jewish family
Suggested	Discussion on 'What is a good deed'?
Learning	To compare the Christian story of The Good Samaritan with the
Experiences	Jewish idea of doing Mitzvot.
	Role play doing Mitzvot (doing good deeds)
	Look at different Tzedakah boxes
	Discuss the Jewish word 'Shabbat'
	To make a flap book of good deeds

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Vocabulary	Awesome, precious, treasure, creator, creation, create, design, responsible, caretaker, God, special/holy, wonder/wonderful
Key Learning Objectives	 To remember the different things created by god in the bible story of creation To be able to talk about what is special or wonderful in the natural world To talk about what I think is my responsibility to look after in the world and why To remember the story of the naming of the animals and know it is special to Christians To recognise why a song or prayer about God's world is important to Christians
Suggested Learning Experiences	 To look at our wonderful world Take photographs of children's favourite things Create a 'wow' or 'wall of wonders' that children can add to Watch video clips of our wonderful world/planet and animals Keeping 'marbles' or something precious safe Discuss whose job it is to 'take care of things?' Being a 'caretaker' for the day

Title	Christianity: Helping others
Overview	This unit introduces the idea of 'salvation' (being rescued, or offering help) as expressed in the Christian faith. The key question: 'How can we help others when they need it?' lays foundations for understanding the Christian belief that God came to earth in Jesus, to rescue humans from their failings and wrongs, and to call his followers to love and help all in need just like him. Jesus' name actually means 'saviour' or 'rescuer', someone who helps others in real need. Jesus paid the ultimate price by dying for others and, even for humans, helping can be costly and requires collaboration. The unit draws on Christian material related to Biblical narrative, church life and Christian living. The unit also offers pointers to what another faith teaches.
Vocabulary	God, Jesus, help, rescue / save, pray / prayer, belief, cathedral, Lent, Easter, symbol, parable, Bible, hero, need, faith, compare, similarities

Key Learning Objectives	 To remember a Christian story and talk about it To use the right names for things that are special in a religion To recognise and talk about religious art, symbols and words To talk about things that happen to me and people who are important to me To talk about what I find interesting or puzzling To talk about what is important to me and to other people
Suggested Learning Experiences	 Role play superheroes – how do they help others? Read The Snail and the Whale – who is the rescuer? Draw and annotate pictures of yourself helping others, particularly those who are worried Explore the story of The Good Samaritan – story board and add speech bubbles – LINK to Judaism 'mitzvah' – good deed Explore people who you could help – important people to you, people you don't know? (Charity) Light candles and discuss prayer; create a 'reflective area' Cook and eat pancakes, linking it to Lent