



Thurston CE Primary Academy Progression in RE Knowledge and Skills

Intent

At Thurston Primary Academy we believe it is essential to learn from and about religion to develop their understanding of the multi-cultural world around them. This will be done by developing their knowledge and understanding of Christianity and other principle faiths in Great Britain. This enables our children to develop their ability to make reasoned and informed judgements about religious and moral issues.

Implementation- How is RE taught at Thurston CE Primary Academy?

RE is taught throughout the school and plays an important role alongside PSHE in promoting social awareness and understanding in our children. They are encouraged to ask questions about the world and to reflect on their own beliefs and thoughts.

The school has been using The Emmanuel Project for several years which covers the Suffolk agreed syllabus for KS1 & KS2. Whilst EY learn about special celebratory events that take place in the community and the wider world.

Impact

At Thurston Primary Academy we aim to extend the children's knowledge and understanding of religion and beliefs, alongside developing their religious vocabulary.

By the end of each Key Stage, pupils are expected to understand and apply skills related to the two attainment targets and learning themes embedded within the Emmanuel Project.

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Title of unit	Vocabulary	Key outcome	Substantive knowledge		
			Explore 1	Explore 2	Explore 3
EYFS					
Why is the word 'God' so important to Christians?	VIP, treasure, God, harvest, celebration,	Christians believe God is a VIP.	Explore the creation story.	Explore harvest at church.	Explore God's name being precious to Christians.
Why do Christians perform nativity plays at Christmas?	Nativity, crib, costume,	Christians believe that Jesus was a very special baby.	Explore the nativity story.	Explore Christmas at church.	Explore the giving of presents at Christmas.
How can we help others when they need it?	Hero, prayer, cathedral, Lent	Christians believe we should help others just like Jesus did.	Explore the Good Samaritan Bible story.	Explore how Christians pray.	Explore what Christians do during Lent.
Why do Christians put a cross in an Easter garden?	Cross, symbol, Easter, Palm Sunday, vicar,	Christians believe Jesus died on a cross but that he came back to life.	Explore the Easter story.	Explore what happens at church at Easter.	Explore Easter gardens.
What makes every single person unique and precious?	Precious, special, unique, thanksgiving	Christians believe all humans were created by God and are loved by him.	Explore what happens in the story of Jesus welcoming the children.	Explore a thanksgiving service for a baby.	Explore the Golden Rule.
How can we care for our wonderful world?	Caretaker, service, environment	Christians believe God created the world and it is our job to look after it.	Explore the Bible story of Adam naming the animals.	Explore a Sunday church service.	Explore how a Christian looks after their environment.
Year 1					
Why is <u>belonging</u> to God and the church family important to Christians?	Baptism, Christening, Christian.	Christians believe baptism welcomes a person into God's family.	Recall a church song that makes everyone feel welcome.	Remember some of the events which happen at a baby's baptism.	Recall some of the ways Christians help each other.
Why is learning to do <u>good deeds</u> so important to Jewish people?	Jewish, Mitzvah, Tikkun Olan, Tzadakah box	Jewish people believe God's mitzvot are ways to help mend the world and make it better.	Know that Jewish stories contain examples of Good deeds.	Know that Jewish people welcome babies into their community.	Know that Jewish people care for their world.
What are the best symbols of Jesus' death & <u>resurrection</u> at Easter?	Resurrection, Good Friday, Good Sunday, celebration	Christians believe that Jesus is alive today.	Retell the Easter story.	Recognise things a Christian is doing at an Easter service at church.	Understand Easter eggs as a symbol for remembering Jesus

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How does a Hindu celebrate <u>devotion</u> to a deity at the festival of Holi?	Deity, Hindu, Holi, Vishnu, Prahlad, Krishna, Shrine	Holi is an important festival where many Hindus show their love for God.	Retell the story of Radha and Krishna.	Describe how Holi is celebrated such as throwing colours	Know Hindus worship at a shrine.
Why do Christians <u>pray</u> to God and worship him?	Prayer, Lord's Prayer, worship	Christians pray to and worship God because they believe he is great.	Recall that Jesus taught people how to pray in a special prayer called The Lord's Prayer.	Know Christians worship God by singing.	Know Christians pray together at church.
Why do Jewish families say so many prayers and <u>blessings</u>?	Sukkah, Shabbat, Kippah, synagogue, Tallit, Havdalah, ceremony	Jewish people give thanks to God and learn about the importance of rest through listening to the creation story.	Say at the end of the creation story God rested.	Know that Jewish families have a day of rest every week.	Describe what some Jewish people wear when they pray.
Year 2					
Why do Jewish families talk about <u>repentance</u> at New Year?	Yom Kippur, Rosh Hashanah, Shofar	Saying sorry is important to Jewish people. God wants people to learn from their mistakes.	Retell the story of Jonah and begin to talk about its possible meanings.	Describe that for Jewish people new year is about saying sorry and making changes.	Describe what happens in a synagogue at Yom Kippur.
Why was Jesus given the name '<u>saviour</u>'?	Advent, annunciation	Christians believe Jesus came to earth to help and save others.	Recognise that the meaning of Jesus' name was Saviour and retell parts of the Easter story.	Remember the importance of advent.	Know Christians like to help others e.g. Helping the homeless
How do some Muslims show <u>Allah</u> is compassionate and merciful?	Allah, Muslim, prophet, Islam, Qur'an, Muhammad	Because Muslims believe Allah is a God of compassion they show compassion to others.	Tell a story about Muhammad and say what it teaches a Muslim about compassion.	Use the words 'fasting' and 'sharing' to talk about what Muslims do during Ramadan.	Recall how Muslims prepare for and celebrate Eid-ul-Fitr.
What did Jesus teach about God in his <u>parables</u>?	Parable, Bible,	Parables are special stories which teach what God is like. That he is loving and forgiving.	Remember the parable of the Lost sheep and begin to explain what it means to Christians.	Recall some of the ways parables are shared e.g. stained glass windows	Recall how parables are passed on to others.
Why do Christians <u>trust</u> Jesus and follow him?	Trust, creed	Christians follow Jesus by trying to copy how he lived.	Explore the story of Jesus and Zacchaeus.	Know people follow Jesus because of the stories told about him in the Bible.	Explore why a Christian follows Jesus by asking suitable questions.

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Why is the <u>Torah</u> such a joy for the Jewish community?	Simchat Torah, Bimah, synagogue, mezuzah, Moses, Holy Ark, Hebrew	The Torah is a special and important book for Jews. They believe it was given to them by God.	Know that the Torah is the most important book for Jewish people given by God.	Know the Torah contains rules.	Remember that a mezuzah contains important words for Jewish people (the Shema)
Year 3					
How do Christians show that <u>reconciliation</u> with God and others is important?	Parable, reconciliation, Desmond Tutu	Christians believe God wants them to be peacemakers based on the example of Jesus.	Tell the story of the prodigal son and explain what it means to a Christian.	Explain the role of confession for some Christians around the world.	Understanding the Christian call to be a peacemaker e.g. Desmond Tutu.
How does a Muslim show their <u>submission</u> and <u>obedience</u> to Allah?	Bismillah, Salat, Adhan, Muezzin, mu'adhin	Muslims submit to Allah because of his greatness. He is to be obeyed at all times.	Describe what a Muslim might learn from the story of Bilal and the first call to prayer.	Knowing how Muslims get ready to pray.	Understand how saying the Bismillah reminds Muslims that Allah is involved in everything.
Why do Hindus want to collect good <u>karma</u>?	Karma, moksha, samsara, reincarnation, soul	Hindus take responsibility for gathering good karma and living the right way.	Describe what Hindus might learn from one of the stories of the Panchatantra about living the right way.	Explain that Hindus are encouraged to perform acts of selfless kindness.	Describe what happens at the Upanayana or 'Sacred Thread Ceremony'.
What do Christians mean when they talk about the <u>Kingdom of God</u>?	The Lord's Prayer, parable	Christians believe Jesus is their King and want to follow his way of life.	Explain that Jesus is the King of God's Kingdom and describe what this Kingdom might look like.	Describe what The Lord's Prayer teaches about the Kingdom of God.	Describe why charity work is important to Christians as a way of growing God's kingdom.
Why do Humanists use the golden rule as a basis for <u>morality</u>?	Morality, morals, humanist, reason, empathy, conscience	Humanists believe morality does not come from God, We all have to decide what is right and wrong based on reason, empathy and consequences.	Explain how a humanist uses stories to help us to think about how to treat others and develop empathy.	Describe what humanists mean when they talk about 'good without God.'	Describe how humanist thinking and the golden rule impacts education at a humanist school.
How does the teaching of the <u>gurus</u> move Sikhs from dark to light?	Guru, Guru Nanak, Guru Granth Sahib, Waheguru	Sikhs believe the divine light of God is passed from one Guru to the next.	Describe what Sikhs might learn from the story of Nanak's disappearance in the river	Describe how and why Sikhs show the Granth the respect due to a living guru and how this is like or different from how other holy books are treated.	Understand how a Sikh will listen to the true Guru through chanting and meditating.

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Year 4					
How does believing Jesus is their <u>saviour</u> inspire Christians to save and serve others?	William Booth, Salvation Army, sin	Christians believe Jesus is the saviour of the world who rescues us from sin.	Use a Bible to find chapter and verse where Jesus helps, saves or heals.	Give examples of different worship songs and what they celebrate about God and Jesus as Saviour of the world.	Explore the Salvation Army
Why do Muslims call Muhammad the ‘<u>seal of the prophets</u>’?	Prophet, shahadah, mosque, seal, calligraphy, Arabic, divine	Muslims believe Muhammad is the messenger of God and the last prophet.	Explain what Muslims believe about Muhammad as the messenger of God and the last prophet and recall something about his life.	Describe some different ways Muslims show / do not show their beliefs about Muhammad in art, calligraphy or design.	Describe ways some Muslims celebrate Muhammad’s birthday.
How does the story of Rama and Sita inspire Hindus to follow their <u>dharma</u>?	Dharma, Raksha Bandhan, murti, Diwali, divas	Hindus celebrate Rama and Sita’s commitment to duty.	Describe what a Hindu might learn from the story of Rama and Sita.	Describe some things Hindus do to celebrate Rama and Sita’s commitment to duty and describe how Hindus celebrate Diwali.	Describe what happens at a Hindu wedding.
What symbols and stories help Jewish people remember their <u>covenant</u> with God?	Exodus, Passover, Sedar, Shavuot, Omer	Jewish people believe they have a covenant with God.	Understand the Exodus story	Describe some different customs and practices Jewish people have as part of their Pesach (Passover) celebrations	Explain what happens at Shavuot.
Why do Christians believe they are people on a <u>mission</u>?	Great Commission, Pentecost, Marks of Mission	Jesus gave all Christians the task of spreading his message around the world. The Holy Spirit gives strength for this work.	Explain what the Great commission is and how the Holy Spirit strengthens Christians.	Describe how Pentecost is celebrated and acknowledged in church.	Recall the 5 marks of mission of the Anglican church.
How do Sikhs put their beliefs about <u>equality</u> into practice?	Sikh, Kaur, langar, Patka, Gurdwara	Sikhs believe everyone is equal because God is present in everyone.	Describe what Sikhs might learn about God or how to	Describe some similar things Sikhs do when they come to the gurdwara for worship	Explain and describe the practice of the langar.

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Year 5					
Why is the <u>gospel</u> such good news for Christians?	Lectern, Herod, authority, Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Gospel, account, pulpit	The gospel is good news for Christians because it contains the teachings and stories of Jesus.	Articulate teachings from the Gospels and explain how these are good news for Christians.	Describe and compare what may happen in a church when the Gospels are read.	Explore how Jesus' teaching affect Christians in their daily lives and why the words hold authority for them.
What does the Qur'an <u>reveal</u> about Allah and his guidance?	Revelation, Hira, Gabirel, recite, Hafiz, Madrassah	For Muslims, the greatest revelation has comes from Allah to the Prophet Muhammad and is recorded in the Qur'an.	Retell the story of how the Qur'an was revealed to Muhammad.	Describe why only some Muslims seek to become Hafiz and how the study affects both their lives and the lives of others.	Explain how Muslims express the idea of revelation as a rope reaching down to earth, suggesting what the image means.
What spiritual pathways to <u>Moksha</u> are written about in Hindu scriptures?	Krishna, yoga, moksha, Bhakti, Gita, Janmashtami	Hindus believe in different pathways to become united with God.	Understand that some Hindus read from the Gita every day for guidance, comfort and advice.	Express the importance role of devotion or those who follow the Bhakti pathway.	Give examples of how Hindus express beliefs and feelings about Krishna.
What is <u>holiness</u> for Jewish people: a place, a time, an object or something else?	Ner Tamid, shabbat, Bar Mitzvah, Bat Mitzvah	Within Judaism, Holiness is a synonym for God himself. He is set apart and different from.	Explain what the burning bush story in Exodus teaches about holiness.	Explain in what way Shabbat is holy and how Jewish families mark its beginning and ending.	Give examples of what the Torah says about living a holy life.
What is the great significance of the <u>Eucharist</u> for Christians?	Passover, Eucharist, Holy Communion, thanksgiving	The Eucharist is a reminder of Jesus' life and sacrifice and God's love and forgiveness. Giving thanks to God is a Christian duty.	Understand and compare the different Gospel writers accounts of the Last Supper.	Explain what the Holy communion service means to Christians.	Explore Christian belief in the importance of giving thanks.
How did Buddha teach his followers to find <u>enlightenment</u>?	Buddha, enlightenment, eightfold path, Dharma wheel, four noble truths, meditation	Buddhists believe people have the ability to become enlightened like the Buddha if they follow his teachings.	Retell the story of Buddha's enlightenment.	Describe the Eightfold Path as techniques for overcoming suffering.	Describe the use and importance of stillness and meditation

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How do Christians show their belief that Jesus is God <u>incarnate</u>?	Divine, incarnate, Emmanuel, ichthus,- humanity, identify, Anglican, creed, christingle	Christians believe Jesus was God incarnate - both human and divine, the second person of the Holy Trinity	Explore the Biblical origin of Christian belief in Jesus as God.	Explain how Jesus' divinity is recognised in different ways including in buildings, doctrines and creed.	Explore how the Children's Society 'incarnate' the love of Jesus.
How does <u>tawhid</u> create a sense of belonging to the Muslim community?	Kaaba, Ummah, Hajj, Tawhid	Muslims believe in the oneness of Allah and the oneness of the Muslim community.	Explain how the Kaaba or 'cube' reminds Muslims that there is only one God.	Explain how the practice of each pillar makes a Muslim feel they belong to the 'ummah.'	Describe the impact of Hajj on a Muslim.
How do questions about <u>Brahman</u> and <u>atman</u> influence the way a Hindu lives?	Brahman, Atman, Namaste, deities, Ahimsa	Hindus believe all living things contain a 'spark' of Brahman, which in humans is known as the 'atman'.	Explain some key teachings Hindus hold about Brahman / Atman linking these to religious texts.	Explain the different ways Hindus explain their ideas of God	Describe how belief in Brahman affects a Hindu's diet and their attitude to animals.
How does the Triple <u>Refuge</u> help Buddhists in their journey through life?	Buddha, Dharma, Sangha, Triple Gem, five moral precepts, Wesak, laity, monastic	Buddhists believe that the Buddha, his teachings and the Buddhist community are a refuge and guide for release from suffering.	Show how Buddhists express their belief that the Buddha is a refuge and guide by referring to the story of Angulimala.	Explain how the Buddha's teachings (dharma) help Buddhists journey along the path.	Explain how members of the Sangha support each other at the festival of Wesak.
Should believing in the <u>resurrection</u> change how Christians view life and death?	Resurrection, creed, hallelujah, collect, euphemisms.	Christians believe in the resurrection and the afterlife.	Explore the witness to the resurrection accounts in the Gospel.	Understanding why Easter services are celebratory	Exploring Christian funerals and the belief in the afterlife.
Why do Humanists say <u>happiness</u> is the goal of life?	Humanist, agnostic, atheist, secularist, reason, rights, responsibilities, ceremonies,	Humanists believe every human has only one life to live and so people should try to make life happy and fulfilling for themselves and for everyone else.	Describe how Humanist advertising expresses their beliefs.	Describe some practices involved at Humanist celebrations.	Explore how being a humanist affects someone's life and decision making.
Additional Units					

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Why do Christians call themselves the '<u>body of Christ</u>'?	Disciple, Deacon, Bishop, Archdeacon, disciple	The Christian church is a body of people not a building. The church is a family of people who act as the hands and feet of Jesus.	Describe events and actions of the early church as recorded in Acts of the Apostles.	Describe some different roles and titles people have in the Anglican church, and in different churches.	Describe what a Christian might learn from St Paul's writings about God and about living as part of the 'Body of Christ.'
Why are good <u>stewardship</u> and generous giving important for every Christian?	Steward, offering, tithe	Christians believe they should give generously as a sign of love for God and care for his creation.	Describe what Christians might learn from the parable of the Three Servants about good stewardship.	Use the words 'tithe' and 'offering' to describe Christian beliefs about giving to God.	Describe some things that Christians believe they should do as stewards of God's world.
What difference did Paul's <u>conversion</u> on the Damascus road make to Christians?	Missionary, persecuted, New Testament, Philippi	After Paul converted to Christianity he took the message of Jesus around the world.	Recall the story of Saul's conversion and the difference this experience made to him.	Describe how Christians read Paul's letters in church to guide their way of life.	Describe the role of the Holy Spirit to help change and transform a Christian.
How do the '<u>Heroes of faith</u>' encourage Christians today?	Faith, mustard seed, parable	Christians grow their faith through the examples of others found in the Bible. Their faith makes a genuine difference to how they live.	Describe how heroes from the Bible displayed their faith.	Explain the purpose of church with growing and developing faith.	To understand how Christians use key Bible stories and teachings about faith during times of struggle.
When Christians need real <u>wisdom</u> where do they look for it?	Proverbs, sermon on the mount, Psalms, foolishness, wisdom, Solomon	Christians believe true wisdom comes from God and the Bible.	Know that Christian ideas about wisdom come from the Bible e.g. Proverbs, Psalms, parables.	Describe how Christians use the Psalms in their worship.	Describe how Jesus understood wisdom through reference to his parables and sayings.
Why do Christians think being a <u>pilgrim</u> is a good analogy for life itself?	Holy Lands, Pilgrim, Pilgrimage	Going on pilgrimage helps a Christian to think about God and grow in their own spiritual lives.	Give good reasons why going on pilgrimage to the Holy Lands may help Christians to think about God and grow spiritually.	Explain how the start of the Christian journey is marked by baptism.	Make links that show how the belief that Christians are 'pilgrims and strangers in this world' comes from the Bible and affects personal choices.
How do Christians try to capture the mystery of God as <u>Trinity</u>?	Mystery, icon, agnostic, atheist, trinity, symbol, baptism, prophecy	Christians experience God as the Holy Trinity - three separate persons- Father, God and Holy Sprit.	Describe what a Christian might learn about the Trinity from the story of Jesus' baptism.	Describe and compare trinitarian practices involved in belonging to different Christian groups.	Explain that for a Christian, the purpose of life is found in relationships, as personally experienced through a relationship with the trinitarian God.

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