Curriculum Map 2021/2022



YEAR 8 RS

Question Understand Accept

- Religious Students allows students to respectfully question the views of others and their own.
- Religious Studies provides students with a good understanding of the thoughts, values and practices of others.
- Religious Studies encourages students to accept people and the diverse communities in which we live in

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
	Why is the covenant important in Jewish life?	Is Islam supported by 5 pillars?	Can people ever make a change?
	■ Founders	■ The Shahadah	■ Gandhi
	Abraham	■ 5 pillars	His life in South Africa.
	Moses	 Calligraphy and Islamic art 	His return and actions in India,
		 Maths and science in Islam 	Satyagraha and Ahimsa.
	Practises	Prophethood	
	■ Brit Milah	Angels	Martin Luther King
	Pescah	The nature of God	Racism in America.
5	■ Prayer	Homosexuality and Islam	■ The Bus Boycotts.
Ē		Women in Islam	■ 'I have a dream'.
CONTENT	■ Holy Books	■ Ummah	Christian teachings in MLK's actions.
8	■ Torah	Festivals	
	■ Talmud	■ Halal	■ Malcolm X
	Mishnah		The Nation of Islam.
			Responses to violence.
	Development		■ Hajj.
	■ Reform		
	Orthodox		

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Key Questions	 Who was Abraham? What is the Covenant? Why do Jews perform Brit Milah? How significant is Brit Milah? Why is Moses important and significant for Jews? What makes Pesach relevant for Jews today? What is the Torah and how is it used? How significant is the Talmud and Mishnah? How has Judaism developed? What are the key differences between the Orthodox and Reform Judaism? 	 What are the fundamental Islamic beliefs? When and why is the Shahadah said? Why is the mosque the centre for the Ummah? How have Islamic scholars contributed to the maths and science we use today? Why is calligraphy so important in Islam? What is the status of the veil in Islam? Why is Halal important? What does the Quran teach about homosexuality and how have some Muslims interpreted text today? 	 Justice and fairness Explore and express insights into significant moral and ethical questions posed by being human in ways that are well-informed and which invite reflection and reasoning, drawing on a range of examples from real life, fiction or other forms of media What is segregation? How did Gandhi react to Apartheid? How were Satyagraha and Ahimsa used by Gandhi? How successful was Gandhi in his aims? What were Martin Luther King's aims? How did Martin Luther King gain his ideas? How successful was he in using Christian ideas to meet his aims? What was the methods and aims of Malcolm X? How were the teachings of Islam used in furtherance of Malcolm X's aims? How successful were the three religions at preaching and achieving their goals?
Assessment	 Students complete a 4 mark question midway through this topic. Students have a GCSE style exam at the end of the unit covering all exam skills. 	 Students complete a 4 mark question midway through this topic. Students have a GCSE style exam at the end of the unit covering all exam skills. 	 Students are given a selection of individuals they have to research independently. Students write an answer to the question: Who was the most successful at fighting injustice? This is a long essay – students develop their argument and persuasive writing techniques.