

RE Overview 2023-2024

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Themes for the year	What is special to me?	What is special to me and others?	What does it mean to belong? <i>Investigating the relation between religion, worldviews and believing/belonging.</i>	What can we learn from special stories? <i>Investigating the relationship between religious/worldview stories and actions.</i>	How are symbols and sayings important in religion? <i>Investigating how symbols and sayings are used within religion and worldviews to encapsulate important teachings, beliefs or practices.</i>	What is important to the people in my local community? <i>Investigating how religion and worldviews are important to the pupils' local community.</i>	What impact do beliefs have on actions? <i>Investigating the relationship between beliefs and practices, how organised and personal worldviews are created and operate.</i>	How important are the similarities and differences between and within religions? <i>Investigating the relationship between and within religions and worldviews? Investigating what religion and worldviews share and differ over, evaluating the importance of these similarities and differences within and between religion and worldviews.</i>
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Autumn 1 Wonders of the World	<i>What happens at Diwali?</i> <i>What does 'Muhammad and the Kitten' story tell us about Muslim people?</i>	<i>What happens at Sukkot?</i> <i>What is special about being a Hindu person?</i>	<i>What can be special about living with family and friends?</i>	<i>Where did the world come from and how should we look after it?</i>	<i>How do Jewish people celebrate their beliefs at home and in the synagogue?</i>	<i>What religions and worldviews are represented in our neighbourhood?</i>	<i>What do religions believe about God?</i>	<i>What similarities and differences do religions and worldviews share?</i>
Autumn 2 Special People and Special Places	<i>What happens at Christmas?</i> <i>What makes a place special?</i>	<i>What happens on Guru Nanak's Birthday (Gurpurab)?</i> <i>What can we learn about Christian people from visiting a church?</i>	<i>Why do Christian people celebrate Christmas?</i>	<i>Why did Jesus tell stories?</i>	<i>What is the significance of light in religion for Christian, Jewish and Hindu people?</i>	<i>Why is the Bible special for Christian people?</i>	<i>How is Christmas celebrated around the world?</i>	<i>How do people express their faith through the arts in Christianity?</i>
Spring 1 Imagination and Make Believe	<i>What does 'The hare and tortoise' story tell Humanist people?</i>	<i>What does 'The two brothers' story tell Humanist people?</i> <i>In the story of 'The donkey and the tiger skin' what is the special message?</i>	<i>What does it mean to belong to Christianity?</i>	<i>Why are different books special for different people?</i>	<i>What can we learn about special symbols and signs used in religions?</i>	<i>What makes me the person I am?</i>	<i>What inner forces affect how we think and behave?</i>	<i>What qualities are important to present day religious leaders?</i>
Spring 2 Mother Nature	<i>What happens at Easter?</i> <i>What does 'The lost sheep' story tell Christian people?</i>	<i>What happens at Passover?</i> <i>What does 'The Lost Coin' story tell Christian people?</i>	<i>What does it mean to belong to Islam?</i>	<i>How do we know that Easter is coming? What special story is told at Easter?</i>	<i>How and why do Hindu people celebrate Holi? What celebration can we design to mark a special time in our class or year group?</i>	<i>Why is Easter important to Christian people?</i>	<i>What is thankfulness?</i>	<i>What are the sources of the story about what happened on the first Easter Sunday?</i>
Summer 1 Travelling and Explorers	<i>What happens at Eid-UL-Fitr?</i> <i>What does 'The Good Samaritan' story tell Christian people?</i>	<i>What is special about being a Muslim person?</i> <i>What happens on Buddha</i>	<i>What does it mean to belong to Hinduism/Hindu Dharmic religion?</i>	<i>How does special food and fasting help people in their faith?</i>	<i>How did Jesus and Buddha make people stop and think?</i>	<i>How and why do Hindus worship at home and in the Mandir?</i>	<i>Why are Muhammad and the Qur'an important to Muslim people?</i>	<i>What do people believe about life after death?</i>

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Summer 2 <i>Follow the Rules</i>	<i>What happens at Eid-UL-Adha?</i>	<i>What does 'The gift of friendship' story tell Muslim people?</i> <i>What does 'Gifts for the poor' story tell Buddhist people?</i>	<i>What does it mean to belong to Sikhism/Sikhi?</i>	<i>How can we live in peace?</i>	<i>What do Sikhi sayings tell us about Sikhi beliefs?</i>	<i>What happens when someone gets married?</i>	<i>How do Christian people try to follow Jesus' example?</i>	<i>How could we design a celebration that involved everyone, whether religious or not, in a meaningful and imaginative way?</i>

All classes must visit a place of worship and have visit from Faith in Schools at least once during the year; speakers from a variety of religions and denominations can also be invited in to talk to the year group.

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Educational Visits and Visitors in RE 2023-2024

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Visit Focus	Spring 2 All religions represented in Newham Go on a walk or show pictures of various places of worship in Newham. Make a roleplay area based on one or more of these and create a display of 3D models of the places they have seen.	Spring 2 Christianity Why are churches important to Christians (arranged through Faith in Schools)?	Spring 2 Islam East London Mosque, 46-92 Whitechapel road, E1 1JE Easy to get to by tube or bus - has an education department all set up for school visits and tours Mr Dilwar Khan (Director) 0207 650 3000 info@eastlondonmosque.org.uk	Spring 2 Christianity Why is Easter important to Christian people (arranged through Faith in Schools)?	Autumn Judaism Sukkat Shalom; 1 Victory Road, Hermon Hill, Wanstead, E11 1UL http://www.sukkatshalom.org.uk/ admin@sukkatshalom.me.uk	Summer 1 Hinduism Radha Krishna Temple, 5 Cedars Road, Stratford, E15 4NE sarojmittal2@yahoo.co.uk or prenmathji@aol.com 020 8252 1261 Her preference is mobile no. 07859057598 Mr Prem Nath Fing/ Mrs Saroj Mittal	Autumn 1 Sikhism Ramagarhia Gurdwara, 10-14 Neville Rd, E7 9QX, ssjandu@yahoo.com , Mr Surinder Singh or Mr Harrinder Singh	Autumn 1 Christianity and Islam St. Martins Church Boundary Road/Claughton Road. Plaistow. E13 9PR Margaret Elsom 0207 511 6110 UKIM Masjid Ibrahim & Islamic Centre Imam, Hafiz Abubakr Sajjad 721-723 Barking Road, Plaistow. E13 9EU www.ukim.org hafizsajjad@hotmail.co.uk
Faith in Schools Visits	Autumn 2 What happened when Jesus was born?	Autumn 2 Why are churches important to Christians?	Autumn 1 How does the Bible help Christian families to forgive?			Autumn 2 How do Christians use the Bible in church and in the home and elsewhere?	Autumn 2 How do Christmas traditions vary around the world?	

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Religious Festivals 2023-2024

	Buddhism	Christianity	Hinduism	Islam	Judaism	Sikhism	Festivals/Events
Autumn 1		Harvest	Raksha Bandhan Wednesday 30 th August 2023 Janmashtami Wednesday 6 th September 2023 – Thursday 7 th Sept 2023		Rosh Hashanah 15 th -17 th September Yom Kippur 24 th -25 th September Sukkot 29 th Sept-1 st Oct	Diwali	Peace Day 21 st September
Autumn 2	Bodhi Day (Buddha's enlightenment) Friday 8 th December 2023	Advent Sunday 03/12/23 Sunday 10/12/23 Sunday 17/12/23 Sunday 24/12/23 Christmas Eve 24/12/23 Christmas Day 25/12/23	Diwali (celebrate good overcoming evil) Sunday 12 th November 2023		Hanukkah 18/12/22-26/12/22	Guru Nanak's Birthday 27 th November	Armistice Day 11 th November Remembrance Sunday 12/11/22 St. Andrew's Day 30 th November Winter Solstice 21 st December New Year's Eve 31 st December Kwanzaa
Spring 1	Parinirvana Day (when Buddha achieved Nirvana) Thursday 15 th February 2024	Epiphany Saturday 6 th January 2024			Festival of Tu B'Shevat – Birthday of Trees 05/02/23 – 06/02/23	Guru Gobind Singh's Birthday Friday 20 th January	World Religion Day Sunday 15 th January Chinese New Year (Rabbit) Sunday 22 nd January Holocaust Memorial Day Friday 27 th January Valentine's Day Tuesday 14 th February
Spring 2		Shrove Tuesday (Pancake Day) Tuesday 13 th February 2024 Ash Wednesday Wednesday 14 th February 2024 Palm Sunday Sunday 24 th March 2024 Good Friday Friday 29 th March 2024 Easter Sunday Sunday 31 st March 2024	Holi Starts on March 24 th and ends on March 25 th	Ramadan starts the evening of Monday 11 th March 2024 and ends the evening of Monday 8 th April (subject to change)	Purim 06/03/23-07/03/23 Passover starts the evening of Wednesday 5 th April and ends the evening of Thursday 13 th April		St. David's Day Wednesday 1 st March St. Patrick's Day Friday 17 th March Mothers' Day Sunday 19 th March Spring Equinox Monday 20 th March

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Summer 1	<p>Vesak (to celebrate the Buddha's birth, enlightenment and to commemorate his death) Thursday 23rd May 2024</p> <p>Buddha Day (to celebrate the Buddha's birthday) Wednesday 15th May 2024</p>			<p>Eid-UI-Fitr starts the evening of Friday 21st April and ends the evening of Saturday 22nd April (subject to change)</p>		<p>Vaisakhi Friday 14th April</p>	<p>St. George's Day Sunday 23rd April</p>
Summer 2	<p>Asala Dharma Day (gratitude for the Buddha's teaching) 21st July 2024</p>			<p>Eid-UI-Adha starts the evening of the Wednesday 28th June and ends the evening of Sunday 2nd July (subject to change)</p>	<p>Shavuot Evening of Tue, Jun 11, 2024 Evening of Thu, Jun 13, 2024 In the Bible, Shavuot marked the wheat harvest in the Land of Israel. Tradition also teaches that the date marks the revelation of the Torah to Moses and the Israelites at Mount Sinai.</p>		<p>Fathers' Day Sunday 18th June</p>

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