

Y1 RE Curriculum
Medium Term Plan

Year 1				
Topic		Lesson Focus	Key Knowledge	Vocabulary
Christianity	1	Understanding belonging	To know the concept of belonging to a group by knowing reasons why the children belong to different groups such as family, school, class and other groups.	Belonging
	2	Identify symbols to show belonging	To know symbols that represent clubs/schools etc and symbols that represent the church.	Celebration
	3	Belonging to the church family	To know why belonging to a church family is important to Christians because they are then part of the worldwide body working together to follow Jesus.	Christian
	4	Understand baptism/christening	To know the importance of baptism/christening to Christians as being welcomed into God's family and belonging to both God and the church.	Church
	5	Explore baptisms/christenings	To know what happens during a baptism, where babies or adults are anointed with the sign of the cross using Holy oil and water is poured over their head to represent cleansing from a sinful world.	God
	6	Understand Christian celebrations	To know that Christmas is a Christian celebration to celebrate the unique birth of Jesus as the Son of God and to know that it is celebrated at the same time each year with special church services, decorating the home, special food and gifts exchanged to remember the gifts given to Jesus at his birth.	Jesus
				Baptism (Christening)
				Holy oil
				Cross as a symbol
				Belief
				Apostles' Creed
				Christmas
				Birth
				Son of God
				Gifts Frankincense Gold Myrrh
Parables	1	The Bible	To know that the Bible is where Christians learn about God. It is their special book that tells the story of God's creation of the world and the special coming of His son, Jesus Christ. To know that the Bible is split into 2 main parts of the Old and New testaments. To know that the New Testament tells the story of Jesus's birth, teachings and death and the setting up of the early church.	Jesus
	2	To know the four 'gospels'	To know the four 'gospels' in the New Testament part of the Bible tell the stories of Jesus, God's Son, who Christians believe came to earth to save the world from sin.	God
	3	Understand Jesus told parables to teach	To know that Jesus told stories, parables, to teach people how they should live and demonstrate the love and forgiveness of God, which they should show to others.	Bible
				Old and New Testaments
				Gospels
				Parables

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	4	The lost sheep parable	To know the parable of the Lost sheep, which teaches Christians that they are special and precious to God.	Forgiveness Love and compassion
	5	The prodigal son	To know the parable of the Prodigal Son, which teaches about how God forgives and also how Christians should forgive each other.	
	6	The good samaritan	To know the parable of the Good Samaritan, which shows Christians how to show love and compassion to others.	
Judaism and the concept of a Mitzvah	1	Understand a mitzvah and explore examples.	To know a mitzvah is a charitable act or 'good deed'. Jewish children are encouraged to 'do a mitzvah' e.g. giving charity, welcoming people, caring for the world, sharing food, but these are not just 'good deeds'. They are seen as "good" because they are what the Creator of the Universe wants for his world; they connect people to God.	Judaism Jewish Mitzvah Mitzvot
	2	Mitzvot and the Torah	To know that Mitzvot are the rules written in the Torah that Jewish people follow because that is what God wants them to do. To know the story of Moses and the giving of the commandments that later became the Torah.	Welcome Charity
	3	The story of Ruth	To know that a tzedakah box is kept in Jewish homes to collect money to help others as giving to charity is part of the Mitzvah. To know the story of Ruth in the Old Testament and be able to identify acts of mitzvah in the story.	Torah Moses
	4	The features of a Synagogue	To know the features of a synagogue: tallit (prayer shawl with 4 corners to represent the 4 corners of the earth and tassels to represent the rules to live by), the Bimah, where the rabbi reads the prayers, the Ark, where the Torah scrolls are kept, (the Ark faces Jerusalem), the different places for where men and women sit.	Ruth Synagogue Tzedakah
	5	Worship in the Synagogue	To know that Jewish people come together in the synagogue to read the Torah and worship God.	Tallit
	6	Special Mitzvah Ceremony	To know that an important part of mitzvah is welcoming others and to know how children are welcomed into the synagogue, which is a Jewish place of worship, as part of mitzvah in a special ceremony. The ceremony includes a welcome, thanksgiving, a blessing, a naming of the child and praise to God.	Ark Scrolls Jerusalem Bimah Rabbi

*ongoing skill throughout year