RE Curriculum Overview at Federation of St Alphege Schools

Understanding Christianity unit
Emmanuel Project unit

Year	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
FS1	**Big Question: What does the word 'God' mean?** **Christianity Creation** *Why is the word 'God' so important to Christians?* **Encounter:** Muslim birth rite	**Big Question: Why are some people revered?** **Christianity Incarnation** *Why do Christians perform nativity plays at Christmas?* **Encounter:** Muslim story	**Big Question: Is it always easy to help someone?** **Christianity Salvation** *How can we help others when they need it?* **Encounter:** Sikh story	**Big Question: Does everyone need some help?** **Christianity Salvation** *Why do Christians put a cross in an Easter garden?* **Encounter:** Buddhist story	**Big Question: What is really important to do?** **Christianity Creation** *How can we care for our wonderful world?* **Encounter:** Jewish festival	**Big Question: Is every one of us special?** **Christianity Incarnation** *What makes every single person unique and precious?* **Encounter:** Hindu festival
					Visit from a member of the synagogue	
FS2	**Big Question: What does the word 'God' mean?** **Christianity Creation** *Why is the word 'God' so important to Christians?* **Encounter:** Muslim birth rite	**Big Question: Why are some people revered?** **Christianity Incarnation** *Why do Christians perform nativity plays at Christmas?* **Encounter:** Muslim story	**Big Question: Is it always easy to help someone?** **Christianity Salvation** *How can we help others when they need it?* **Encounter:** Sikh story	**Big Question: Does everyone need some help?** **Christianity Salvation** *Why do Christians put a cross in an Easter garden?* **Encounter:** Buddhist story	**Big Question: What is really important to do?** **Christianity Creation** *How can we care for our wonderful world?* **Encounter:** Jewish festival	**Big Question: Is every one of us special?** **Christianity Incarnation** *What makes every single person unique and precious?* **Encounter:** Hindu festival
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					Visit to the synagogue	
Y2	**Christianity** **Creation** *1.2 Who made the world?*	**Christianity** **Incarnation** *1.3 Why does Christmas matter to Christians?* ***DD***	**Big Question: Who is it right to follow?** **Islam** **Compassion** *How do some Muslims show Allah is compassionate and merciful?*	**Christianity** **Salvation** *1.5 Why does Easter matter to Christians?* **DD**	**Big Question: Can books and stories be good teachers?** **Judaism** **Torah** *Why is the Torah such a joy for the Jewish community?*	**Big Question: Can books and stories be good teachers?** **Christianity** **Incarnation/Parable** *What did Jesus teach about God in his parables?*
			Visit from a member of the mosque		**Visit from a member of the synagogue** **Visit to the mosque**	

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3	**Christianity** **Creation** *2a.1 What do Christians learn from the creation story?*	**Christianity** **Incarnation** *2a.3 What is the trinity?*	**Big Question: What beliefs drive people to make a difference in the world?** ***Christianity*** ***Sacrifice*** *Is the cross a symbol of love, commitment or sacrifice for Christians?*	**Christianity** **Salvation** *1.5 Why does Easter matter to Christians?* **DD**	**Big question: Do beliefs make any difference to someone's life?** **Islam** **Devotion; Submission** *How does a Muslim show their submission and obedience to Allah?*	**Big question: Do beliefs make any difference to someone's life?** **Hinduism** **Devotion; Submission** *Why do Hindus want to collect good karma?*
		Visit from a member of the church			**Visit to the mosque** **Visit from a member of the synagogue**	
4	**Big Question: What beliefs bind a community together?** **Christianity** **Mission** *Why do Christians believe they are people on a mission?*	**Christianity** **Incarnation** *2a.3 What is the trinity?* **DD**	**Big Question: What makes some people an inspiration to others?** **Islam** **Prophet** *Why do Muslims call Muhammad the 'seal of the prophets'?*	**Christianity** **Salvation** *2a.5 Why do Christians call the day Jesus died 'Good Friday'?*	**Christianity** **Kingdom of God** *2a.6 When Jesus left, what was the impact of Pentecost?*	**Big Question: What beliefs bind a community together?** **Sikhism** **Equality** *How do Sikhs put their beliefs about equality into practice?*
		Visit from a member of the church			**Visit from a member of the synagogue**	

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5	**Big Question: Where do people look for answers to life and living?** **Christianity** **Salvation; Gospel** *Why is the gospel such good news for Christians?*	**Christianity** **Incarnation** *2b.4 Was Jesus the Messiah?*	**Big Question: Where do people look for answers to life and living?** **Hinduism** **Moksha** *What spiritual pathways to Moksha are written about in Hindu scriptures?*	**Christianity** **Salvation** *2b.6 What did Jesus do to save human beings?*	**Big Question: Are some things more sacred than others?** **Christianity** **Salvation; Eucharist** *What is the great significance of the Eucharist for Christians?*	**Big Question: Are some things more sacred than others?** **Buddhism** **Enlightenment** *How did Buddha teach his followers to find enlightenment?*
					Visit from a member of the synagogue	
6	**Big Question: Why are there so many different ideas about God?** **Muslim** **Tawhid** *How does tawhid create a sense of belonging to the Muslim community?*	**Christianity** **Incarnation** *2b.4 Was Jesus the Messiah?* **DD**	**Big Question: Why are there so many different ideas about God?** **Hindu** **Brahman** *How do questions about Brahman influence the way a Hindu lives?*	**Christianity** **Salvation** *2b.7 What difference does the resurrection make to Christians?*	**Big Question: What are the best ways to think about death and dying?** **Christianity** **Salvation;** **Resurrection** *Should believing in Jesus' resurrection change how Christians view life and death?*	**Big Question: What are the best ways to think about death and dying?** **Humanist** **Happiness** *Why do Humanists say happiness is the goal of life?*
			Visit to the mandir		**Visit from a member of the synagogue**	