



**Thoresby Vale**  
Primary Academy

# Religious Education

## Curriculum overview

**Cycle A 2025 – 2026**

**Cycle B 2026 - 2027**

We empower | We respect | We care

Part of  **Diverse  
Academies**

	Autumn		Spring		Summer	
<b>Reception</b>	<b>What makes people special?</b> <i>Christianity &amp; Judaism</i>	<b>What is Christmas?</b> <i>Christianity</i>	<b>How do people celebrate?</b> <i>Hinduism</i>	<b>What is Easter?</b> <i>Christianity</i>	<b>What can we learn from stories?</b> <i>Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, Sikhism</i>	<b>What makes places special?</b> <i>Christianity, Islam, Judaism</i>
<b>Cycle A</b> <b>2025 - 2026</b>						
	Autumn		Spring		Summer	
<b>Key Stage 1</b> Year 1 / 2	<b>Does God want Christians to look after the world?</b> <i>Christianity</i>	<b>What gifts might Christians in my town have given Jesus if he had been born here rather than in Bethlehem?</b> <i>Christianity</i>	<b>Was it always easy for Jesus to show friendships?</b> <i>Christianity</i>	<b>Why was Jesus welcomed like a king or celebrity by the crowds on Palm Sunday?</b> <i>Christianity</i>	<b>Is Shabbat important to Jewish children?</b> <i>Judaism</i>	<b>Are Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur important to Jewish children?</b> <i>Judaism</i>
<b>Lower Key Stage 2</b> Year 3 / 4	<b>Would celebrating Diwali at home and in the community bring a feeling of belonging to a Hindu child?</b> <i>Hinduism</i>	<b>Has Christianity lost its true meaning?</b> <i>Christianity</i>	<b>Could Jesus heal people?</b> <i>Christianity</i>	<b>What is 'good' about Good Friday?</b> <i>Christianity</i>	<b>How can Brahman be everywhere and in everything?</b> <i>Hinduism</i>	<b>Would visiting the River Ganges feel special to a non-Hindu?</b> <i>Hinduism</i>
<b>Upper Key Stage 2</b> Year 5/6	<b>How far would a Sikh go for his / her religion?</b> <i>Sikhism</i>	<b>Is the Christmas story true?</b> <i>Christianity</i>	<b>Are Sikh stories important today?</b> <i>Sikhism</i>	<b>How significant is it for Christians to believe God intended Jesus to die?</b> <i>Christianity</i>	<b>What is the best way for a Sikh to show commitment to God?</b> <i>Sikhism</i>	<b>What is the best way for a Christian to show commitment to God?</b> <i>Christianity &amp; Humanism</i>
<b>Cycle B</b> <b>2026 - 2027</b>						
	Autumn		Spring		Summer	
<b>Key Stage 1</b> Year 1 / 2	<b>Is it possible to be kind to everyone all of the time?</b> <i>Christianity</i>	<b>Why did Christians believe God gave Jesus to the world?</b> <i>Christianity</i>	<b>Does praying at regular intervals help a Muslim in his/her everyday life?</b> <i>Islam</i>	<b>How important is it to Christians that Jesus came back to life after his crucifixion?</b> <i>Christianity</i>	<b>Does going to a mosque give Muslims a sense of belonging?</b> <i>Islam</i>	<b>Does completing Hajj make a person a better Muslim?</b> <i>Islam</i>
<b>Lower Key Stage 2</b> Year 3 / 4	<b>Is it possible for everyone to be happy?</b> <i>Buddhism &amp; Humanism</i>	<b>What is the most significant part of the Nativity story for Christians today?</b> <i>Christianity</i>	<b>Could the Buddha's teachings make the world a better place?</b> <i>Buddhism</i>	<b>Is forgiveness always possible for Christians?</b> <i>Christianity</i>	<b>What is the best way for a Buddhist to lead a good life?</b> <i>Buddhism</i>	<b>Do people need to go to church to show they are Christians?</b> <i>Christianity</i>
<b>Upper Key Stage 2</b> Year 5/6	<b>What is the best way for a Muslim to show commitment to God?</b> <i>Islam &amp; Humanism</i>	<b>Do Christmas celebrations and traditions help Christians understand who Jesus was and why he was born?</b> <i>Christianity</i>	<b>Is anything ever eternal?</b> <i>Christianity &amp; Humanism</i>	<b>Is Christianity still a strong religion 2000 years after Jesus was on Earth?</b> <i>Christianity</i>	<b>Does belief in Akhirah (life after death) help Muslims lead good lives?</b> <i>Islam</i>	