



Year 7 Curriculum Grid

RE

The outcome of excellent Religious Education is to produce religiously literate and engaged young people who have the knowledge, understanding and skills – appropriate to their age and capacity – to reflect spiritually, and think ethically and theologically, and who are aware of the demands of religious commitment in everyday life.

The curriculum explores Catholic belief and teachings through four lenses:

- Hear –the Word of God through scriptures and the living tradition of the Church
- Believe –Church beliefs and teachings
- Celebrate – how and why Catholics worship and pray
- Live – how Catholics live and act as disciples of Christ

Pupils will develop many skills in RE throughout the course and we focus on the following ways of knowing:

- Understand: a deep understanding of the meaning and importance of religious beliefs, teachings and ways of life
- Discern: the ability to think critically and creatively about religious beliefs, teachings and ways of life
- Respond: reflect personally on what they have learnt and how this might apply to their lives and the lives of others

Term	Unit	Intent
Autumn 1	Creation and Covenant: The meaning of creation	<p>Pupils will understand, discern and respond to the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The mystery of God • The meaning and features of prayer • The Genesis Creation accounts • Scientific explanations of creation and the Catholic response to this • What the Genesis accounts of creation reveal to us about God • Stewardship • Catholic Social Teaching • Persons of faith who have devoted their lives to stewardship and Catholic Social Teaching <p>Pupils will also have the opportunity to put Catholic Social Teaching into practice themselves through a harvest festival reflection.</p>
Autumn 2	Prophecy and Promise: The mystery of God in the Bible	<p>Pupils will understand, discern and respond to the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is in the Bible • How to use the Bible • How the Bible is interpreted by Catholics and other Christians • How God is revealed through the Bible • The relationship between scripture, tradition and the magisterium • How the Bible is used in prayer • How the Bible is used in worship • How the Bible has influenced everyday life and language



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Spring 1	Galilee to Jerusalem: Jesus as the Son of God	<p>Pupils will understand, discern, and respond to the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Old Testament prophecies about Jesus • Beliefs about Jesus as the incarnation of God • Beliefs about Jesus as the Son of God • Other titles for Jesus • Jesus as a role model for Catholics • Jesus as one of the Trinity • The Trinity in Catholic worship
Spring 2	Desert to Garden: The Sacrament of the Eucharist	<p>Pupils will understand, discern, and respond to the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Paschal Mystery • The sacraments of the Catholic Church • What the Eucharist is and why it is a celebration • The Eucharist as the 'source and summit' of Christian life • How Jesus is present in the Eucharist • Why the structure of the Mass is important. • How the Mass should influence lives • Other Christian beliefs about the Eucharist
Summer 1	To the Ends of the Earth: the role of the Holy Spirit	<p>Pupils will understand, discern and respond to the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who St Luke was and his account of Pentecost. • Why Pentecost is important to Christians. • How Pentecost is celebrated in different countries • Who the Holy Spirit is. • Church teachings about the Holy Spirit • Artistic representations of the Holy Spirit • How the Holy Spirit influences the People of God • The Sacrament of confirmation • The importance of the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit
Summer 2	Dialogue and Encounter: Christian denominations	<p>Pupils will understand, discern, and respond to the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why there are many different denominations of Christians around the world. • Ecumenical councils that have tried to address questions and problems arising from different interpretations and beliefs. • The Reformation in Europe and its impact on religion in Britain • The beliefs, teachings, and practices of other Christian denominations <p>Pupils will also take part in a faith walk visiting local churches of different denominations.</p>