






The Leys Primary School Subject Overview for RE 2025-26 - becoming a theologian


EYFS	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Religion	Christianity	Christianity	Being special:	Christianity	Looking at all religions and their special places.	Looking at all religions and their special places.
Main enquiry question	Unit 1 - Why is the word God so important to Christians? (Creation)	Unit 2 - Why do Christians perform Nativity plays at Christmas? (Why is Christmas special for Christians?)	Unit 3 - Where do we belong?	Unit 4 - Why do Christians put a cross on their Easter garden? (Why is Easter special to Christians?)	Unit 5 - Which places are special and why?	Unit 6 - Which stories are special and why?
Links to key 8 areas	Human responsibility and values Identity and belonging	Symbols and actions	Beliefs and practices Prayer, worship and reflection	Ultimate questions	Sources of wisdom Human responsibility and values Justice and fairness	Symbols and actions Identity and belonging
Key subject links	UW, SMSC, British Values and CL	UW, SMSC, CL	UW, SMSC, CL	UW, SMSC, CL	UW, SMSC, CL	UW, SMSC, CL
Key Vocabulary	Family, Unique, Special, Friends, Role model, Jesus, God and Moses.	Present, Giving, Jesus, Shepherds, Saviour, The wise men and Christmas.	Celebrate, New year's resolution, Chinese new year, Persian new year and Holi.	Easter, symbols, Forgive, Life cycle, Sign, Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter.	Samaritan, Neighbour, Allah, Parable, Priest, Lie, Honest.	Home, Worship, Pray, Bible, Torah, Imam, Special, Mecca.
Key Texts						
Key themes and values 	Family, friends, role models, Jesus, Moses	Giving, thanks, Christmas story, shepherds, wise men.	New Year, Chinese New Year, Nowruz (Persian New Year), Holi.	Spring, Easter Eggs, Palm Sunday, cross		Home, global homes, the world, church, mosque, synagogue
Year 1	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Religion	Christianity	Christianity	Judaism	Christianity	A range (Worldviews)	A range (Worldviews)

Main enquiry question	Unit 7 - Who do Christians say made the world?	Unit 8 - Why does Christmas matter to Christians?	Unit 9 - Who is Jewish and how do they live?	Unit 10 - What do Christians believe God is like?	Unit 11 - What does it mean to belong to a faith community?	Unit 12 - How should we care for the world and for others, and why does it matter?
Links to key 8 areas	Human responsibility and values	Beliefs and practises	Justice and fairness	Symbols and actions	Identity and belonging	Symbols and actions
Key subject links	SMSC and British Values, English writing skills					
Key Vocabulary	Creation, World, Belief, Thank, Harvest, God, Believe, Bible, Genesis and Praise.	Incarnation, Jesus, Mary, Joseph, Shepherds, Advent, Secular, Religious, Birth and Celebration.	Synagogue, Torah, Jewish, Mezuzah, Shabbat, Shema, God, Chanukah, Dreidel, Star of David.	Holy, forgiving, prodigal, worship, nineveh, loving, father, parable, Jonah, God.	Community, Muhammad, Allah, Shabbat, Ichthus, Faith, Wedding, Baptism, Aqiqah, Parable.	Community, world, psalm, stewardship, love, genesis, religious, non-religious, Christian, Jewish.
Key Texts						
Key themes and values 						
Year 2	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Topic Title	Christianity	Christianity	Islam	Christianity	Islam	Places of worship. (Worldviews)
Main enquiry question	Unit 13 - What is the 'good news' that Christians say Jesus brings? Part 1	Unit 14 - What is the 'good news' that Christians say Jesus brings? Part 2	Unit 15 - Who is Muslim and how do they live? Part 1	Unit 16 - Why does Easter matter to Christians?	Unit 17 - Who is Muslim and how do they live? Part 2	Unit 18 - What makes some places special to believers?

Links to key 8 areas	Prayer, worship and reflection	Human responsibility and values	Identity and belonging	Ultimate questions	Justice and fairness	Prayer, worship and reflection
Key subject links	SMSC, British Values					
Key Vocabulary	Christians, Jesus, Matthew, fisherman, disciples, tax collector, peace, forgiveness, apostles.	Christians, Jesus, Matthew, fisherman, disciples, tax collector, peace, forgiveness, apostles.	Muslim, prophet, shahadah, ramadan, Allah, tawhid, Islam, salah, zakah, hajj, sawm.	God, Salvation, Saviour, resurrection, eternal life, secular, easter, worship, good Friday, religious.	Muslim, prophet, shahadah, ramadan, Allah, tawhid, Islam, salah, zakah, hajj, sawm.	Jewish, holy, Christian, place of worship, Muslim, community, sacred, worship, church, mosque, shabbat, synagogue.
Key Texts						
Key themes and values 						
Year 3	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Topic Title	Christianity	Christianity	Islam	Judaism	Christianity	Worldviews
Main enquiry question	Unit 19 - What is it like for someone to follow God?	Unit 20 - What is the Trinity and why is it important for Christians?	Unit 21 - How do festivals and worship show what matters to a Muslim?	Unit 22 - How do festivals and family life show what matters to Jewish people?	Unit 23 - What do many Christians learn from the creation story?	Unit 24 - How and why do people try to make the world a better place?
Links to key 8 areas	Identity and belonging	Identity and belonging	Ultimate questions Justice and fairness	Ultimate questions	Beliefs and practices	Justice and fairness
Key subject links	SMSC, British Values					
Key Vocabulary	Prophets, Abram, Noah, wedding, old testament, promise, Abraham,	Trinity, holy spirit, messiah, john the baptist, believer's	Prophet, Muhammad, Allah, fasting, hajj, qu'ran, salah, shahadah,	Freedom, torah, yom kippur, orthodox, pesach, shabbat, rosh	Creation, catholic, big story, responsibility, sin, steward, interpret,	Tikkun olam, Jewish, Muslim, zakat, stewardship, steward,

	Covenant, righteous, Christians.	baptism, father, Jesus, scripture. Infant baptism, denomination.	sawm, zakah.	hashanah, shema, progressive, forgiveness.	genesis, fall.	salvation, humanist, golden rule, Christian.
Key Texts						
Key themes and values 						
Year 4	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Topic Title	Christianity	Christianity	Hinduism	Christianity	Hinduism	Range of religions.
Main enquiry question	Unit 25 - What kind of world did Jesus want?	Unit 26 - For Christians, when Jesus left; what was the impact of pentecost?	Unit 27 - What do Hindus believe God is like?	Unit 28 - Why do Christians call the day that Jesus died 'Good Friday'?	Unit 29 - What does it mean to be a Hindu in Britain today?	Unit 30 - How and why do people mark significant events?
Links to key 8 areas	Sources of wisdom	Symbols and actions	Beliefs and practises	Human responsibility and values	Prayer, worship and reflection	Human responsibility and values
Key subject links	SMSC, British Values					
Key Vocabulary	Jesus, disciples, follower, clergy, galilee, vicar, parable, samaritan, gospel, evangelist.	Pentecost, holy spirit, disciples, lord's prayer, tongues, acts, trinity, apostles, baptised.	Hindu, brahman, deity, namaste, shiva, aum, atman, lakshmi, brahma.	Salvation, Jerusalem, resurrection, forgiveness, crucifixion, palm sunday, disciples, sin, easter, calvary.	Hindu, puja, ramayana, shrine, rama, dharma, deity, mandir, diwali, sita.	Significant, journey, baptism, commitment, marriage, bar mitzvah, bat mitzvah, ceremony, wedding, sacred thread.
Key Texts						
Key themes and values						

						
Year 5	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Topic Title	Christianity	Buddhism	Sikhism	Islam		
Main enquiry question	Unit 31 - What does it mean if Christians believe God is holy and loving?	What does it mean to be truly happy?	How did Sikhism begin?	Unit 32 - What does it mean to be Muslim?	Unit 34 - Creation and science; conflicting or complementary?	Unit 36 - What matters most to Humanists and Christians?
Links to key 8 areas	Justice and fairness	Symbols and actions	Sources of wisdom	Ultimate questions	Identity and belonging	Justice and fairness
Key subject links	SMSC, British Values					
Key Vocabulary	Holy, omnipresent, omniscient, believer, eternal, loving, omnipotent, isaiah, john, testament.			Science, genesis, big bang theory, complementary, creation, literal, creator, conflicting, interpretation, theory.		
Key Texts						
Key themes and values 						
Year 6	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Topic Title	Buddhism	Most religions	Hinduism	Christianity	Sikhism	A range of religions.

Main enquiry question	Do we need lots of things to lead a good life?	What is forgiveness?	Unit 39 - Why do Hindus want to be good?	Unit 40 - What difference does the resurrection make to Christians?	Why do Sikhs believe everyone is equal?	Unit 42 - Why do some people believe in God and some people not?
Links to key 8 areas	Human responsibility and values	Symbols and actions	Ultimate questions	Prayer, worship and reflection	Beliefs and practices	
Key subject links	SMSC, British Values					
Key Vocabulary				Salvation, resurrection, interpret, sacrifice, biblical, theological, gospel, eternal life, incarnation, funeral.		Theist, atheist, psychologist, agnostic, humanist, philosophy, reason, theologian.
Key Texts						
Key themes and values 						

Christianity - All Year groups cover

Judaism - Y1, Y

Hinduism - Introduced in

Sikhism - Introduced in

Buddhism - Introduced in

Islam - Introduced in Y2

Global Fridays cover all religions.

Beliefs and practices Symbols and actions Identity and belonging Human responsibility and values

Sources of wisdom Ultimate questions Justice and fairness Prayer, worship and reflection