

### Key Stage 3

#### 4 year Overview

In Key Stage 3 students develop knowledge and depth of understanding of differing religious and non-religious worldviews. Building on prior learning students can study religious and non-religious views in coherent and systematic ways, using a wide range of subject specific vocabulary. Students will explore the impact that religious and non-religious beliefs can have for individuals, local, national and global communities. Students can use their growing self-awareness and emotional maturity to think about and refine their own ideas, attitudes, beliefs and values. The study of the core religions (Christianity, Judaism) at Key Stage 3 enables students to build up comprehensive and coherent knowledge & understanding of these particular faith traditions, including diversity within them.

	Autumn term 1	Autumn term 2	Spring term 1	Spring term 2	Summer term 1	Summer term 2
<b>September 2023 – July 2024</b>	<p>Theme: Christianity – Let’s find out about the story of St. Cuthbert</p> <p>Curriculum intent – Authority, personal reflection, critical thinking</p>	<p>Theme: Christianity – Let’s find out about the meaning of Christmas.</p> <p>Curriculum intent – Expressions of belief, critical thinking</p>	<p>Theme: Christianity – Let’s find out about how Christian’s celebrate Easter</p> <p>Curriculum intent – Expression of belief</p>	<p>Theme: Judaism – Let’s find out about how and where Jewish people worship</p> <p>Curriculum intent – Critical thinking, knowledge &amp; understanding, expression of belief</p>	<p>Theme: Judaism – Let’s find out about the story of Abraham</p> <p>Curriculum intent – Expression of belief</p>	<p>Theme: Judaism – Let’s find out about the festival Passover</p> <p>Intent – Impact and belief</p>
<b>September 2024 – July 2025</b>	<p>Theme: Christianity – Let’s find out about the story The Lost Sheep</p> <p>Curriculum intent – Critical thinking, impact of belief</p>	<p>Theme: Christianity – Let’s find out about how non-Christians celebrate Christmas</p> <p>Curriculum intent – Authority, critical thinking, knowledge &amp; understanding</p>	<p>Theme: Christianity – Let’s find out about why lent is such an important period in Christianity</p> <p>Curriculum intent – Expression of belief</p>	<p>Theme: Judaism – Let’s find out about what Jewish people believe</p> <p>Curriculum intent – Critical thinking, knowledge &amp; understanding, expression of belief</p>	<p>Theme: Judaism – Let’s find out about the story of Moses</p> <p>Curriculum intent – Expression of belief</p>	<p>Theme: Judaism – Let’s find out about the festival Rosh Hashanah</p> <p>Curriculum intent – Impact and belief</p>

<p><b>September 2025 – July 2026</b></p>	<p>Theme: Christianity – Let’s find out about the story The Lost Son</p> <p>Curriculum intent – Critical thinking, impact of belief</p>	<p>Theme: Christianity – Let’s find out about what the Gospels tell us about the birth of Jesus</p> <p>Curriculum intent – Authority, critical thinking, knowledge &amp; understanding</p>	<p>Theme: Christianity – Let’s find out about why the last super is important to Christians</p> <p>Curriculum intent – Expression of belief</p>	<p>Theme: Judaism – Let’s find out about the Jewish Holy Book</p> <p>Curriculum intent – Critical thinking, knowledge &amp; understanding, expression of belief</p>	<p>Theme: Judaism – Let’s find out about the story of The Jewish Creation Story</p> <p>Curriculum intent – Expression of belief</p>	<p>Theme: Judaism – Let’s find out about the festival Sukkoth</p> <p>Curriculum intent – Impact and belief</p>
<p><b>September 2026 – July 2027</b></p>	<p>Theme: Christianity – Let’s find out about the story Jesus heals a man with Leprosy</p> <p>Curriculum intent – Expression of belief, impact of belief, critical thinking</p>	<p>Theme: Christianity – Let’s find out about Why is Christmas celebrated on the 25<sup>th</sup> December</p> <p>Curriculum intent - Critical thinking, personal reflection</p>	<p>Theme: Christianity – Let’s find out about why Good Friday and Easter Sunday are so important to Christians</p> <p>Curriculum intent – Expression of belief</p>	<p>Theme: Judaism – Let’s find out about Bar Mitzvah</p> <p>Curriculum intent – Critical thinking, knowledge &amp; understanding, expression of belief</p>	<p>Theme: Judaism – Let’s find out about the story of Jacob’s Ladder</p> <p>Curriculum intent – Expression of belief</p>	<p>Theme: Judaism – Let’s find out about the festival Hanukkah</p> <p>Curriculum intent – Impact and belief</p>

Key Stage 3 Key vocabulary

Key vocabulary by the end of Key stage 3	
Red	Core vocabulary
Amber	Middle ability
Green	Most able

Christianity	Judaism
Cross	Torah
Church	Synagogue
Bible	Shabbat
God	Mezuzah
Jesus	Kippah
Death	Rabbi
Christmas	Kosher
Easter	Moses
Harvest	10 Commandments
St. Cuthbert	Mount Sinai
Resurrection	One God
Creation	Creator
Christianity	Afterlife
Creator	
Love	
Forgiveness	
Holy	
Transcendent	
Incarnation	
Salvation	
Devotion	
Father, Son, Holy Spirit	

