Focus 3 Whole School Key Knowledge in RE



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	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Year R (Willow)	All about me Belonging	Celebrating Birthdays Celebration	Stories Jesus Told Storytelling	Celebrating New Life Celebration	Special Things Specialness	Water Precious
Key Knowledge	-A Christian child will often go to church -They show they belong by taking part in activities there -Activities can be singing, listening to stories, Sunday school, going to a service -The Christian special book is called the Bible -The Bible has stories about stories about Jesus in it.	-Christians celebrate the birth of Jesus on Christmas Day -They remember how he was born in Bethlehem a long time ago and think about this at Christmas -They tell the Nativity story as a way of reminding themselves about how Jesus was born -They celebrate by sending cards that remind others about the birth of Jesus, going to special Christmas services, singing hymns about Jesus having a crib displayed at home and qiving presentsThere are many other ways they may choose to celebrate too	-Jesus told many stories to help his followers learn -He told stories about God and about how to behave -These stories show how God looks after people -They also show how Christians should care for others	-Easter is a very important Christian festival -Christians tell the Easter story to remind them about how Jesus died and then rose again -Christians celebrate Jesus' new life on Easter Sunday and give Easter eggs as a sign of new life.	-Christians have many special things -These might include a cross, a Bible, pictures of Jesus -Jewish people have many special things too -These might include a copy of the Jewish special book; the Hebrew Bible and going to see the Torah scrolls in the synagogue	-Christians use water in a special ceremony called baptism which welcomes people into the church -Babies or adults can be baptised -Babies and adults often wear special clothing -Christians tell the story of John of Baptist who baptised Jesus in the river Jordan -Hindus see the River Ganges as precious. They travel a long way to bathe in the water -Hindus tell the story of Shiva who let the River Ganges flow through his hair
Vocabulary	Christian, church, service, Bible, Jesus	Christians, Jesus, Christmas, Bethlehem, Nativity, services, hymns, crib	Jesus, stories, stories about God, God, Christians	Easter, Christian, Jesus, rose again, new life, Easter Sunday	Christians, cross, Bible, Jesus, Jewish, special book, Hebrew Bible, Torah scrolls, synagogue	Christians, ceremony, baptism, baptized, John of Baptist, Jesus, River Jordan,Hindus, River Ganges precious, Shiva
Year 1/2 (Redwood) Cycle A Topic	Harvest Bread as a symbol	Light helps people to remember Candle light as a symbol	People Jesus Met Change	Easter Story Sad and Happy	Generosity Community	Shabbat Remembering
Key Knowledge	-Christians celebrate the food they have at Harvest time in the Autumn -At Harvest, many Christians go to church to celebrate in a special Harvest service -They sing songs, pray and often give to charity to help others without food.	-Candles are used to remember someone or something -A Hannukiah is a special Jewish menorah lamp to remind Jews of the miracle of the oil at Hanukkah -It has 9 candles, one for each night of the 8 nights of the festival of Hanukkah plus a helper candle -The festival of Hannukah celebrates the belief in the miracle of one small jar of oil lasting 8	-Christians believe that Jesus changed people's lives when he met themThere are 3 stories in the gospels that we have learnt that show this -Zacchaeus the tax collector was hated by people because of his job. He changed when he met Jesus and gave back what he had stolen from others -Jairus' daughter was brought back to life by Jesus and Jairus changed by believing in Jesus and following him afterwards	-There are sad and happy parts to the Easter story -Jesus had a meal with his disciples to celebrate the Jewish festival of Passover -This is called the Last Supper -The disciples were happy to be together but Jesus was sad as he knew one of them would hand him over to the Roman Soldiers -Jesus was arrested by the soldiers and he was killed	-We all belong to different communities -There are always people who may need help in any community -Dāna is a very important value in Hindu traditions -Dāna involves helping people without expecting anything in return -The story of Karna's generosity shows the value of generosity to others	Shabbat begins every week from sunset on Friday to sunset on Saturday -It is the Jewish day of rest -Shabbat remembers the story of creation from the Torah -The story tells how God created the world in 6 days and rested on the 7 th day

		nights instead of 1 night as usual -Christians also use light at Christmas -An example is the Advent ring/wreath which has 4 candles -A candle is lit on each of the 4 Sundays leading up to Christmas -It reminds Christians to wait and prepare for Christmas light	-Jesus brought sight back to the blind man and the man had faith that Jesus could do this Christians use these stories to show that Jesus can change the lives of anyone who believes in him.	-His followers came to the place where he was buried but the stone had been rolled away and his body was not there -His followers were happy when Jesus appeared to them some time later -Christians believe from this story that Jesus died and rose again. This is called the resurrection and Christians celebrate this at Easter .		
Vocabulary	Christians, celebrate, Harvest, Harvest service, pray, charity	Hannukiah, Jewish Menorah, Jews, miracle, Hannukkah, festival of Hannukkah, helper candle, belief, Christians, Christmas, Advent, ring, wreath, wait	changed, Jesus, Christians, Gospels, Zacchaeus, tax collector, Jairus' daughter, bought back to life, believing, blind,	sad and happy, Easter, Jesus, disciples, Jewish festival of Passover, Last Supper, Roman	Communities, Dāna, Karma's, generosity, Hindu	Shabbat, Jewish, Torah, God, created
Year 1/2 (Redwood) Cycle B Topic	Harvest and Sukkot Thanking	Nativity Journeys Journeys end	Passover Remembering	Palm Sunday Welcoming	Belonging in Judaism Belonging	Special Places Specialness
Key Knowledge	-Sukkot is an important celebration for Jewish people -It is the Jewish harvest festival and lasts for a week -Sukkot means Huts -Jews prepare by building and decorating their own special hut called a sukkah -The Sukkah has 3 walls and becomes a part of the home -It reminds Jews of the exodus from Egypt and the dwellings made by Moses and his people who lived for 40 years in the wilderness	-In many stories, the end of the journey is very important -The Christian Nativity story is told in two of the four gospels in the Bible -The story tells how Jesus was born in Bethlehem -In the story, Mary and Joseph travel to Bethlehem and at the end of the journey, Mary gives birth to Jesus -The shepherds also go on a journey to see Jesus and find him at the end of the journey -The magi (wise men) go on a journey to see Jesus and find him at the end of their journey	-The Seder plate helps Jews remember a special story called the Passover -The story of the Passover is found in the Torah , the first five books of the Hebrew scriptures -It is remembered at a special festival of Passover each year - Passover tells the story of how Jews were led out of Egypt and slaver y by Moses -The Seder meal has special foods in it to help remember parts of the story: bitter herbs, a lamb bone, celery or parsley, paste made of fruit and nuts and a hard boiled egg	-Welcoming is being polite or friendly to someone who is new -Jesus was Jewish and was in Jerusalem with his friends (disciples) to celebrate the Jewish festival of Passover -He came into Jerusalem riding a horse and he was welcomed by a crowd waving palm leaves at himMany people were excited to see him because they knew about him	that G-d created the world in 6 days and on the 7th day G-d rested -It begins every Friday at sunset for 25 hours -A Shabbat meal is eaten on the Friday evening - Shabbat candles are lit, there is a special ceremony to bless the wine or grape juice called kiddush and bread is eaten called challah	
Vocabulary	Sukkot, Jewish, Jews, exodus, Egypt, Moses	End of the journey, Christian Nativity, four gospels, Bible, Jesus, Bethlehem, Mary, Joseph, shepherds, magi, wise men	Sedar, Jews, Passover, Torah, Hebrew scriptures, Egypt, slavery	Welcoming, Jewish, Jerusalem, Jewish, Passover, palm leaves	belong, Jewish, Shabbat, Kiddush, challah	church, Christians, special, worship God, Jesus
Year 3/4 (Chestnut and Maple) Cycle A Topic	Jesus' teaching and message Message	Angels Angels	Holi Good and evil	Easter Suffering	God God Talk	Raksha Bandhan Protection
Key Knowledge	-All religions have special stories with messages in -An important story for Christians is the Parable of the Prodigal Son, which shows how the	-The word angel means messenger -Angels are important messengers from God in both the Old Testament and the New Testament	-Holi is a 2 day Hindu festival in the Spring -On the first day people light bonfires and remember the story of Prahlad, the son of a demon king	-The Easter story can be found in the New Testament of the bible . -Christians recognise Jesus endured suffering before and during his death.	-Christians will often talk about God as Father in their hymns and prayers, eg the Our Father prayer -They show God as omnipotent (in the story	-The Hindu festival of Raksha Bandan celebrates the love between sisters and brothers -Raksha means "protection" and Bandan means "to tie"

	father is like God in his forgiveness -An example of a story with a message for Muslims is the story of the student and the poor man which shows how it is better to give than to receive -Christians and Muslims use these stories to show how to live your life by the message in the story	-Angels appear in both Matthew and Luke's birth narratives -They appear to Mary and Joseph and the shepherds -They highlight how important the birth of Jesus is and that Jesus is the chosen one, the Messiah who has come to save his people	-Prahlad was devoted to the Hindu God Vishnu and worshipped him instead of his father -The demon king's sister Holika tried to kill Prahlad in a fire, but her protective cloak flew off and protected Prahlad instead of her -The story remembers good overcoming evil -On the second day people throw coloured paint -Many Hindus play music, dance, retell the story, throw paint and share sweets		of Moses and the burning bush) -They show God as omniscient (in the story of Daniel) -They show God as omnipresent (in the Our Father prayer) -They believe in God as Trinity – God the Father, God the Son (for example when John baptised Jesus which shows this)and God the Holy Spirit (when the Spirit was given to the disciples after Jesus' death) and one of these: -In the Muslim traditions, Muslims refer to the 99 beautiful names of Allah, which reveal many of God's characteristics -In the Hindu traditions, Hindus refer to the different forms of Brahman to show the many different characteristics.	-Rakhis were traditionally strips of cotton but they can be of differing styles now -One of the stories remembered in the festival is the story of Indra and his wife Indrani who prayed to Lord VishnuLord Vishnu gave her a holy thread to tie around Indra's wrist which protected him from evil
Vocabulary	Religions, messages, Christians, Parable of the Prodigal Son, forgiveness, Muslims, receive, message in the story	Angel, Old Testament, New Testament, Matthew, Luke, Mary and Joseph, shepherds, chosen one, the Messiah	Holi, Hindu festival, remember, Prahlad, demon king, Hindu God Vishnu, worshipped, Holika, Hindus	Easter story, New Testament, Bible, Christians, Jesus, endured suffering,	Christians, God as Father, hymns, Our Father prayer, omnipotent, God, omnipresent, God as Trinity, God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Spirit, Muslim, 99 beautiful names of Allah, Hindu, Brahman	Hindu, Raksha Bandan, Raksha, Brandan, Rakhis, Indra, Indrani, Lord Vishnu
Year 3/4 (Chestnut and Maple) Cycle B Topic	Making Choices Temptation	Mary Mother of God Holy	Creation Stories Creation	Paschal Candle Ritual	Hindu festival Mahashivatri Devotion	Stones as symbols Symbols
Key Knowledge	-Everyone is tempted to do/say the wrong thing at times -The gospel stories feature the temptation of Jesus before he began his ministry -The stories show how Jesus was made stronger and wiser by his temptation because he could have taken an easier path but rejected this -There are stories of temptation in the Hebrew Scriptures too -An example is the story of the Golden Calf when the Jewish people were also tempted	-Holy means someone or something dedicated to God -For many Christians, Mary is an example of a Holy person, because she obeys God always and is the mother of Jesus, the Son of God -Catholic Christians especially have statues, stained glass, hymns and prayers that are directed to Mary as a very important Holy person -Artwork about Mary often shows her as Holy (for example, by using a halo) and as the mother of Jesus	-Creation means the act or process of making somethingThe Judeo-Christian creation story is found in the book of Genesis in the Old TestamentThere are actually two creation stories in the book of Genesis -One describes God creating the word from nothing in 6 days and resting on the 7thThe other story goes on to emphasise God creating Adam and EveThere are a number of stories about the creation of the world in Hindu traditionsLife is seen as part of a whole continuing cycle of creating, preserving and destroying and creating againOne Hindu story shows how the deities of Vishnu,	omega -These show the Christian belief that Jesus is always here -The candle is also used in Baptism and death rituals to remind Christians about	-Mahashivatri is a Hindu festival dedicated to ShivaShiva is the Hindu God who destroys the universeMahashivatri is the day to honour and celebrate Lord ShivaShiva is offered special food made from the fruits of the season, root vegetables, and coconutsMost people spend the day of Mahashivratri in prayer, meditation and celebrationIt is celebrated in the winter monthsHindu's will fast. This means that do not eat anything.	-A symbol is something that represents or stands for something else -Stones are used as symbols in religious practice and writingsWithin the bible there are a number of references to the use of stones/rock – resembles: firmness, a defense, a support or a refugeStones are used by Zen Buddhists as symbols within the gardens to aid meditation.

			Brahma and Shiva play their part in the continuing cycle of life.			
Vocabulary	Gospel, Jesus, ministry, Jesus, Hebrew, Scriptures, story of the Golden Calf, Jewish	Holy, dedicated, God, Christians, Mary, Jesus the Son of God, Catholic Christians, statues, stained glass, hymns, prayers, Mary, halo, Jesus	Creation, Genesis, Old Testament, God, Adam and Eve, Hindu traditions, continuing cycle, creating, preserving and destroying, Vishnu, Brahma, Shiva	ritual, religious, ceremony, Christians, Paschal Candle, Easter, risen Christ, cross, alpha and omega, Christian belief, Baptism and death rituals, Jesus' resurrection, life after death	Mahashivatri, honour, Lord Shiva, festival, Hindu God, universe, fruits of the season, prayer, meditation, celebration, fast, Hindu's	symbol, religious practice and writings, bible, firmness, defense, support, refuge, Zen Buddhists, meditation
Year 5/6 (Oak) Cycle A Topic	The Shahada and Salat Belonging	Christmas – The two birth narratives	Creation Stewardship	Changing Emotions Easter	Places of worship (Church and Mosque) Sacred place	Hajj and Zakat Community/Umma
Key Knowledge	-There are many practices and beliefs that help Muslims belong to their religion -The Five Pillars of Islam are an important way of helping Muslims all over the world belong to their religion -The Shahadah is the first of the Five Pillars of IslamShahadah is the Muslim creed/statement of faithA key way of belonging in Islam is to recite and believe in the ShahadaSalat (Muslim prayer) -Muslims are allowed to pray in any clean place, but often they will come together at Mosque to prayMuslims pray 5 times a day.	-The story about the birth of Jesus is found in two of the four gospels — Matthew and Luke -It is not in the other two gospels of Mark and John at all -The two stories have similarities, such as Jesus is born in Bethlehem and the family make their home in Nazareth -The two stories have differences, such as the shepherds in Luke and the wise men in Matthew -This is because each of the gospel writers interpreted the story of Jesus in a way that highlighted what was important to them as a writer	-There are references to creation throughout the Our'an -Muslims believe that Allah created the world and all living creatures in 6 days -Allah also created the first humans -Khalifah is a guardian of the world and Muslims believe that it is the job of everyone to look after the world	-The festivals of Christmas and Easter are the most important Christian festivals -The Easter story in the gospels tells the story of how Jesus died and what happened after this -Christians believe that Jesus's death was not the end because he rose from the dead and appeared to his followers -Some followers did not believe this until they had seen him with their own eyes -Christians believe that Jesus is still with them today -Christians today celebrate Jesus' new life on Easter Sunday and give Easter eggs as a sign of new life.	focal point for people from that religion -Sacred places are places to celebrate, to gather, to eat, to pray, to sing, be together and be alone, as well as other activities -They are a connection to something beyond the everyday life for a believer -Sacred places can be very diverse but each sacred place is important within a religion -They often contain symbols	-Umma – The family (community) of Muslims worldwideMecca is in Saudi Arabia and this is the holiest city in IslamCommunity – a group of people who belong together because of a shared characteristicThe hajj is the pilgrimage, or religious journey, every adult Muslim must make to the holy city of Mecca in Saudi ArabiaThe Five Pillars of Islam are five duties that are expected of every Muslim. The hajj is the 5 th pillarZakat is the third Pillar of IslamMany Muslims donate some of their money to charity. This is called Zakah.
Vocabulary	Muslims, Five Pillars of Islam, belief, belong, religion, Shahadah, creed, statement, Shahada, faith, Salat, prayer, Mosque	Gospels, Matthew, Luke, Mark, John, Jesus, Bethlehem, Nazareth, shepherds. wise men, magi,	creation, Qur'an, Muslims, Allah, Khalifah, guardian	festivals, Christian, Easter, gospels, Jesus, Christians, rose, followers, new life, Easter Sunday	sacred, focal point, symbols	Umma, Muslims, worldwide, Mecca, Saudi Arabia, holy city, Islam, Community, hajj, pilgrimage, religious journey, five pillars, duties, Zakat, charity, Zakah
Year 5/6 (Oak) Cycle B Topic	Stories of Justice in Christianity and Islam Justice	The Magi Warning	Wudu and Eid al Fitz Ritual	The Empty Cross Resurrection	Christian Story Salvation	Revelation of the Qur'an Peace
Key Knowledge	-Jews, Christians and Muslims all share the same belief that God is Just -The parable of the Prodigal story is a Christian story about how God treats people, which can be the opposite way people might treat each other -Justice for all is a Muslim story which affirms that no	-The Magi in the Nativity story were wise people who looked at signs and interpreted them -The Magi warned people of good or bad things to come -The Magi gave a gift of gold to show Jesus would be a king -frankincense to show Jesus would be worshipped as the son of God and	-A ritual is a set of fixed actions or words performed regularly -Wudu is the Muslim ritual of washing before prayerEid-al-Fitr is an Islamic festival -Eid al-Fitr marks the end of Ramadan, the Muslim holy month of fasting.	-The resurrection of Jesus is a central Christian belief -Christians believe that death is not to be feared Christians believe that Jesus' resurrection has opened up the possibility of eternal life for them The belief in the resurrection is shown in many ways by Christians, for example using an empty cross, words in hymns,	-For Christians, salvation means being rescued by God from the consequences of wrongdoingsThe Christian story of salvation begins with the story of the Garden of EdenThe fall tells the story of how Adam and Eve wanted more and through their actions had to leave the Garden of EdenPeople then were in the wilderness and God sent	-The Qur'an is the holy book of IslamIslam is a way of life taught by Allah and the followers of Islam are known as MuslimsThe Qur'an is a book in the Arabic language that Muslims believe to be the actual words of AllahIn the Qur'an, Allah tells Muslims how they should worship him and also how

	one is above the justice of Allah	-myrrh to warn of his death -We do not know how many Magi came to visit Jesus		Christian writings and the focus on new life at Easter	messengers to them repeatedly to remind them of his message – the prophetsEventually God sent his son to give his message to people and he was killed by some of the peopleHis resurrection shows God's triumph over death and gives hope to Christian people that they can be saved from death and wrongdoing.	
Vocabulary	Jews, Christians, Muslims, belief, God is Just, parable, Prodigal story, Christian, Justice, Allah	Magi, Nativity story, interpreted, warned, gift, gold, frankincense, the son of God, myrrh,	ritual, Wudu, Eid-al-Fitr, prayer, Islamic, Ramadan, Muslim holy month, fasting	resurrection of Jesus, Christian belief, Christians, Jesus' resurrection, eternal life, empty, cross, hymns,	Christians, salvation, rescued, God, wrongdoings, Garden of Eden, Adam and Eve, wilderness, messengers, message, resurrection, triumph, hope	Qur'an, holy book, Islam, Allah, followers, Muslims, believe, Qur'an, Arabic language, worship