Religious Education KS3 and KS4 Core/Religious Studies GCSE and A level Curriculum Map: Topic Sequence

Encountering Religion (A01) and Responding to Religion (A02):

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term	
Year 7	 Encounter with religions. Western Religions: History of Judaism- Old Testament. Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph, Moses. 	 Festivals: Passover, Hanukah Judaism Today eg. Food laws, Synagogue, Sabbath. 	 <u>Eastern Religions:</u> Study of Hinduism Study of Sikhism 	
Year 8	 Study of the Life of Jesus: Evidence for/against existence of Jesus Birth Narratives and the False vs Real Christmas. 	 Background eg: geography/religious groups/what life was like in the time of Jesus. Disciples Baptism and Temptations 	 Teachings of Jesus eg. Sermon on the Mount and Parables. Miracles Holy Week and Good Friday Resurrection 	
Year 9	 Ethics: Ourselves, reflection: who we are, what matters to us and what influences us. Prejudice and Discrimination: Sexism. Is Christianity sexist? End of Unit Assessment One Philosophy: Arguments for and against the existence of God. 	 Philosophy continued: Arguments for and against the existence of God. St Thomas Aquinas. Ludwig Feuerbach. William Paley. Blaise Pascal. Study of Religions: Beliefs and Teachings compared (retrieval). Ethics: Prejudice and Discrimination: Racism. 	 Ethics continued Martin Luther King Holocaust Study of Islam 	
Year 10	> Beliefs and teachings of Christianity (Retrieval from year 8), plus KS4 concepts eg Trinity/Incarnation.	 Christian beliefs on the Sanctity of Life including abortion. Abortion assessment. Religious beliefs on the Sanctity of Life eg. Euthanasia. 	 Beliefs and teachings of Islam (Retrieval from year 9), plus KS4 concepts eg Sunni and Shia Muslims. Islam assessment. 	

	Christian beliefs on the Sanctity of Life eg. Issues of infertility and the beginning of life.		 Religions and Relationships, Marriage, Sexual relationships, eg. Sex and Arranged Marriages in Christianity and Islam. Optional topics/if time allows: Buddhism/bridging unit to year 11 on science, atheism and humanism
Year 11	 Science, atheism and humanism. Christianity and Forgiveness, Crime and Punishment eg. Aims of punishment and prisons. Capital punishment assessment. (retrieval from Year 10 for GCSE RS students) 	 Crime and Punishment continued, including Crime and Punishment in Islam eg aims of punishment, Sharia, capital punishment (retrieval from Year 10 for GCSE RS students) 	 God and the World: eg. Environmental ethics/Poverty eg Fair Trade. Evil, suffering and War: issues including genocide (Rwanda), Pacifism and the Just War. (retrieval from Year 10 for GCSE students) These last two sub-topics are interchangeable- some teachers may teach them the other way round.
Year 10	Crime and Punishment	Christian Beliefs and Teachings	Religion and Life continued
Delicione	Reasons for crime	continued	Euthanasia (retrieval from core RE-
Religious Studies	Types of Crime Suffering	The Crucifixion Resurrection and Ascension	Spring term) Death and Afterlife
AQA	Aims of Punishment	Life After Death	End of Unit Assessment
specification	Treatment of Criminals	Judgement, heaven and hell	Lifu of Offic Assessment
Specification	Forgiveness and the Death Penalty	Sin and Salvation	Christian Practices
	roigiveness and the beath remaity	Sili dila Salvacioni	Worship
	End of Unit Assessment	Religion and Life	Prayer
		Origins of the Universe	Sacraments
		(retrieval from Year 9)	Pilgrimage
	Christian Beliefs and Teachings	The Value of the World	Celebrating Festivals

	Nature of God The Oneness of God and the Trinity Christian beliefs about creation The Incarnation	Use and abuse of the environment Animals Origins of human life Abortion (retrieval from core RE- Spring term)	The role of the Church in the community Mission and evangelism Church Growth Worldwide Church Christian persecution Churches response to World Poverty
Year 11			
	 Relationships and Families Human Sexuality Sex before and outside marriage Contraception Marriage Divorce and remarriage Nature and Purpose of families Gender Equality (retrieval from year 9) End of Unit Assessment Islam Beliefs and Teachings Oneness of God Key beliefs of Sunni and Shia Islam Nature of God 	 Islam Beliefs and Teachings continued Angels Predestination Prophethood Muhammed and the Imamate Holy books Religion, Peace and Conflict Violence and violent protests Reasons for war Nuclear war The just war 	 Religion, Peace and Conflict continued Holy war Pacifism Victims of War End of Unit Assessment Islam Practices The Five Pillars and 10 obligatory Acts Jihad Festivals

Year 12 Religious Studies	Teacher 1 Ethics	Teacher 2 Christianity	Teacher 1	Teacher 2	Teacher 1	Teacher 2
Eduqas Specification	Utilitarianism Natural Law	Jesus: his birth		Mock Exam – Ethics and Christianity		cs and Christianity (2) k: Philosophy

	Ethical Thought: Virtue Theory, Divine Command Theory Ethical Egoism, Situation Ethics (this may be finished in term 2- Ethical Egoism and DCT taught in yr 13 for 2022/3 only)	Jesus: his resurrection Christianity The Bible as a source of wisdom and authority in daily life The Nature of God The Trinity	Philosophy Evil Ontological argument	Christianity The atonement Faith and works The community of believers Key moral principles	Philosophy Cosmological argument Teleological argument Religious experience (this topic may be completed in yr 13)	Christianity Religious identity through diversity in baptism Religious identity through diversity in Eucharist Religious identity through diversity in festivals
Year 13	Teacher 1 Philosophy Miracles Psychology and Atheism	Teacher 2 Christianity Feminist Theology Attitudes towards wealth Migration and Christianity in the UK Religious identity through responses to poverty and injustice (Liberation Theology)		Teacher 2 am January – y/Christianity? Christianity Challenges from secularism Challenges from Science Religious identity through unification Religious identity through religious experience	Teacher 1 Mock Example Ethics Finnis and Hoose Philosophy Problems with Religious Language Verification and falsification principles Symbolism Analogy Myth Language Games	Teacher 2 m – Ethics Christianity The Bible as a source of wisdom and authority The early church Two views of Jesus

Challenges from Pluralism and diversity Mock Exam February – Christianity	
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