


## Religious Education - Year 1 and Year 2

Below are the Religious Education units that children will study across Year 1 and Year 2 at The Rydal Academy. They are split into half terms or terms depending on the length of the unit. There is a brief explanation of each focus area and suggestions for activities that you can do with your child at home to support their learning.

Year 1		Year 2	
Autumn 1	<p><b>Caring for others-How do we show care and kindness for other's?</b></p> <p>Children will learn about kindness and the importance of caring for others, by exploring the values of different religions, including reading stories from different faiths and learning about different religious festivals and practices.</p> <p>Keep a kindness diary- write or draw times when you were kind, or someone was kind to you. Draw or write about ways you can care for the environment at school and at home e.g. switching off lights, recycling etc</p>	Autumn 1	<p><b>Nature of God-How is nature and the environment important within religions?</b></p> <p>Children will learn about the importance of nature to religions. They will learn about the Christian Creation story as well as the importance of harvest to Christians and Jews by learning about harvest festivals and Sukkot. They will listen to stories from Buddhism and Islam which highlight the importance of looking after nature and the environment.</p> <p>Find out about an organisation which helps to protect and look after nature e.g. a group or charity that protects and looks after animals, plants and trees, places or the environment. What is their motto or slogan? What do they protect and look after? e.g. RSPCA, Keep Britain Tidy, The Wildlife Trusts</p> <p>Read a book all about Harvest: <a href="http://www.crickweb.co.uk/ks1re.html">http://www.crickweb.co.uk/ks1re.html</a></p>
Autumn 2	<p><b>Gifts and Giving –Why is Christmas/Eid-al-Fitr important to Christians/Muslims?</b></p> <p>Children will learn about why giving is important in relation to the Christian celebration of Christmas and the Islamic festival Eid-al-Fitr. They will explore the importance of gifts and giving in both celebrations.</p> <p>Draw a picture of the best present you have ever received. What was the present? Who gave it to you? Why was it so special?</p>	Autumn 2	<p><b>Light and Dark-Why is light important?</b></p> <p>Children will learn about the importance of light in Christianity, Hinduism and Judaism through learning about Advent, Christmas, Diwali and Hanukkah.</p> <p>Take photos of three things which remind you of or represent light and three things which remind you of or represent the dark.</p>
Spring 1	<p><b>Friendship-How can we be a good friend to others?</b></p> <p>Children will learn about what it means to be a good friend. They will explore stories of friendship from different religions and reflect on how the characters in the stories show their friendship.</p> <p>Make a friendship paper doll chain- colour in your friends and write their names. Can you explain to an adult why they are special to you? What special qualities do they have? </p> <p>How to make a paper doll chain: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qxa66E63xaU">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qxa66E63xaU</a></p>	Spring 1	<p><b>Rules and Routines-Why do we have rules and routines? How do they help us in our everyday lives?</b></p> <p>Children will learn about why we have rules and routines and how they help us in our everyday lives. They will look at rules and routines from the viewpoint of Christianity, Judaism, Islam and Sikhism.</p> <p>Make a list of some of the rules and routines that you have at home e.g. Rule- Always tidy up where you have been playing or working. Routine- I always clean my teeth before I get dressed.</p>
Spring 2	<p><b>Easter and Surprises - Why is Easter an important time for Christians?</b></p> <p>Children will learn about Easter and why it is such an important time for Christians. They will explore the concept of surprises and relate this to the Easter story and the resurrection of Jesus.</p> <p>Watch: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YVgZkfHVLC4">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YVgZkfHVLC4</a> Find out how Easter is celebrated around the world. Write, draw or stick what you find out.</p>	Spring 2	<p><b>Beginnings and Endings-How are beginnings and endings marked in special ways?</b></p> <p>Children will learn how beginnings and endings are marked in special ways in different religions and their own lives. They will explore the Christian story of Easter and make links with the idea of new life.</p> <p>Find out what happens at a Christian wedding ceremony. Complete some of the interactive activities on the Topmarks website. <a href="http://resources.hwb.wales.gov.uk/VTC/ngfl/ngfl-flash/wedding/eng/default.htm">http://resources.hwb.wales.gov.uk/VTC/ngfl/ngfl-flash/wedding/eng/default.htm</a></p>

<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">Summer 1</p>	<p><b>Religion and Rituals-What are rituals? How are they different to our daily routines?</b></p> <p>Children will learn about what rituals are and how they differ to routines. They will explore the rituals associated with prayer for Muslims, worship for Hindus and Holy Communion for Christians.</p> <p>Choose one of the rituals we have learnt about. Design an invitation to encourage a friend to come along to the ritual. Make sure you include: the name of the ritual; where it will take place; the special meaning of the ritual; details or pictures that will encourage people to take part.</p>	<p><b>Ceremonies-What is a ceremony?</b></p> <p>Children will learn about what a ceremony is by finding out about what happens at a Muslim Aqiqah, a Jewish Bar/ Bat Mitzvah, a Sikh Dastar Bandi and a Hindu wedding.</p> <p>Make a collage or poster to show all the different feelings that people might experience at a ceremony? Draw the ceremonies you know and write the feelings on your picture/collage.</p>
<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">Summer 2</p>	<p><b>Places of worship-What is a place of worship?</b></p> <p>Children will learn about what a place of worship is, before exploring key features of a Jewish synagogue, Hindu mandir and Christian church.</p> <p><b>TRIP: Local church</b></p> <p>Can you find out about a different place of worship? What happens at a mosque? Watch the video clip to see how Muslims prepare for prayer. <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/zfhvr82">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/zfhvr82</a></p>	<p><b>Places of Worship –What happens in a place of worship?</b></p> <p>Children will learn about the key features of a Jewish synagogue, Hindu mandir and Christian church. They will consider the importance of places of worship to religious believers and communities.</p> <p><b>TRIP: Sikh Gurdwara</b></p> <p>Can you remember all the different parts of a church? Click on the different parts to see if you were right. <a href="https://request.org.uk/restart/2014/12/30/inside-a-church/">https://request.org.uk/restart/2014/12/30/inside-a-church/</a></p>