

St George's Central CE Primary School and Nursery

Progression of RE Vocabulary 2026-2027

Nursery	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2	Additional Nursery RE knowledge and skills vocabulary
	Harvest	Christmas	Stories Jesus heard	Easter	Special Places	Special Times	
	please thank you names of favourite foods harvest plants	Christmas Jesus Mary Joseph birth special	Noah ark Joseph coat David Daniel lion	Jesus Easter disciples cross alive	den talk about their favourite places	birthday party baptism christening	
	I am special		Stories Jesus told				
	father colours to describe their features handprint footprint		Good Samaritan Lost Sheep Wise and Foolish Builders				
Reception	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2	Additional Reception RE knowledge and skills vocabulary
	Why is the word God so important to Christians?	Why is Christmas special for Christians?	Where do we belong?	Why is Easter special to Christians?	What places are special and why?	What times and stories are special and why?	
	thank you thankful fruit names vegetable names Harvest Festival Creation God world	Bethlehem inn star stable donkey shepherds wise men gifts birthday	unique special baby children Jesus disciples Joseph dreams brothers Moses	palm leaves Good Friday crucified tomb Easter Sunday risen	holy special mosque buildings church synagogue temple worship	anniversary wedding celebrate christening baptism birthday party talk about customs to welcome babies	

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			Bulrushes Joshua Gideon judge Jonah whale		talk about some features of places of worship Pentecost Holy Spirit	born in Hinduism and Islam Rosh Hashanah Puja Tray	St George's Church Lunar New Year Islam Muslims Judaism Jewish Jews Hinduism Hindus
	I am special		Stories Jesus told				
	descriptions of their likes and dislikes fingerprint joy fear anger sadness unique		Good Samaritan friendship compassion Sower Great Feast Lost Coin				
Year 1/2	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2	Additional Year 1/2 RE knowledge and skills vocabulary
	How should we care for others and the world and why does it matter?	Why does Christmas matter to Christians?	Who is Muslim and how do they live? Part 1	Why does Easter matter to Christians?	Who is Muslim and how do they live? Part 2	What makes some places sacred to believers?	
	unique valuable caring environment Old Testament New Testament Scripture Creation Genesis 1 Word of God natural world charity Jewish Jews	Good News Jesus Zechariah Elizabeth Mary Angel Gabriel Joseph shepherds Bethlehem wise men star gold frankincense myrrh gift promise St Nicholas	Tawhid Iman Allah Shahadah Prophet Muhammad PBUH Qur'an	Salvation Easter Sunday Holy Week sacrifice disciples Mary Last Supper Eucharist cross crucifix resurrection tomb symbol	Prophet Muhammad Bilal Abu Bakr Qur'an ibadah Five Pillars Ramadan fast	church mosque synagogue temple sacred symbols sacred place of worship	
							Christianity Islam Judaism Hinduism Christians Muslims Jews Hindus beliefs God the Father Jesus the Son creative respectful discuss retell describe explain trust faith

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							believer symbol celebration holy worship
Year 3/4	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2	Additional Year 3/4 RE knowledge and skills vocabulary
	How and why do people try and make the world a better place?	What is the Trinity and why is it important to Christians?	What do Hindus believe that God is like?	Why do Christians call the day Jesus died Good Friday?	For Christians what was the impact of Pentecost?	What does it mean to be a Hindu in Britain today?	
	sin The Golden Rule tikkun olam Harold Moody proverbs Ten Commandments wrongdoings Golden Rule repair inspiration	Trinity God Jesus Holy Spirit Gospel symbolic baptism depict baptise influence	Brahman Brahma Vishnu Shiva Atman Svetaketu Puja Tray murtis deities	Palm Sunday Gethsemane Temple Last Supper crucified crucifixion Easter Sunday salvation resurrection trust betrayal forgiveness loyalty Judas Peter denial Jerusalem Denial persecution	Ascension Pentecost Trinity Holy Spirit inspiration Church mission Saul/Paul God's kingdom sin repentance Acts 2 influence followers	dharma Sanatan Dharma puja bhajan mandir Diwali Holi rituals	People of God Creation interpret analyse describe relationship respond discuss emotions beliefs values behaviour Old Testament New Testament experience similarities differences opinion

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Year 5/6	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2	Additional Year 5/6 RE knowledge and skills vocabulary
	Why do Hindus want to be good?		How do Christians decide how to live? What would Jesus do?	What do Christians believe Jesus did to save people?	How does faith help people when life gets hard?	What does it mean for Christians to believe that God is holy and loving?	
	karma dharma samsara moksha Moksha Chitram man in the well Mahabharata atman ahimsa sewa Reincarnation Mahatma Gandhi Dr Sailesh Rao		Bible Gospel “two greatest commandments” Good News parable teachings biblical texts peace forgiveness healing	The Big Story Incarnation Salvation Sacrifice Holy Communion Holy Week Garden of Gethsemane accounts symbolism	Resurrection Karma Reincarnaion Heaven guidance death afterlife challenges judgement artistic expression comfort support gratitude karma dharma samsara moksha	God Father Son Holy Spirit Trinity Biblical texts theology theological cathedral design “divine being” Medieval Glory of God Humanist ideology	
	Do all Christians celebrate Christmas in the same way?						
	St Nicholas St Lucia Orthodox customs traditions						

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	Who do Christians say made the world?	Who is Jewish and how do they live?		What is the Good News Christians say Jesus brings	What do Christians believe God is like?	What does it mean to belong to a faith community?	
	Old Testament New Testament scripture Genesis 1 Word of God Creation Creator environment thank you gratitude	Jews Judaism Jewish Shema (Jewish prayer) festivals Chanukah Sukkot Shabbat Torah synagogue reflecting thanking praising		Gospel Good News Bible Text instructions example follow charity confession	parable Lost Son forgiving Father forgiveness love belief practice worship saying sorry	community Christianity Judaism Islam talk about customs associated with a Jewish or Islamic welcome ceremony talk about customs associated with a marriage ceremony; both Christian and non-religious. identify belonging faith community non-religious	

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							Old Testament New Testament trust faith believer symbol celebration holy worship sacred
		Why do we give and receive gifts at Christmas?		In what way is the Easter story a new beginning?			
		gifts Gift from God giving receiving Jesus Mary Angel Gabriel Joseph shepherds Bethlehem wise men star gold frankincense myrrh		life cycle new life resurrection Gethsemane tomb Good Friday Easter Sunday Holy Week Mary Magdalene			

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	What do Christians learn from the Creation story?	How do festivals and worship show what matters to Muslims?	What is it like for someone to follow God?	How do festivals and family life show what matters to Jews?	What kind of world did Jesus want?	How and why do people mark significant events in life?	
	Gensis Creation The Fall The Bible’s “big story” awe and wonder human beings guidelines Ten Commandments offer forgiveness obedience saying sorry falling short	Islam Muslim Surah 1 ibadah Tawhid submission self-control fasting Ramadan Eid-ul-Fitr Five Pillars Qur’an	Noah Covenant Abraham faith children of Israel People of God promise narrative	Exodus Rosh Hashanah Yom Kippur Pesach/Passover blessings expression of gratitude festivals family rituals personal reflection	Gospels Calling of the disciples Fishers of people lepers Good News inclusive clergy challenges social justice	love commitment promises ceremonies of commitment baptism sacred thread marriage life as a journey milestones non-religious	
		Why is light an important symbol of Christmas?		Why might Christians describe Easter as a story of betrayal and trust?			
	Light of the World followers metaphor Chanukah	Maundy Thursday Palm Sunday Last Supper Gethsemane Good Friday crucified resurrection temple denial Pontius Pilate		People of God Creation interpret analyse describe relationship respond discuss emotions beliefs values behaviour Old Testament New Testament experience similarities differences opinion			

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	Creation and Science: conflicting or complementary?	Why do Christians believe Jesus is the Messiah?	What kind of king is Jesus?	Why is the Torah important to Jewish people?	What does it mean to be a Muslim in Britain today?	Why matters most to Humanists and Christians?	
	Old Testament New Testament timeline “Big Story” of the Bible Genesis 1 Creator interpretations context science faith justify scientific account Psalm 8 responsibility debate controversy power majesty	Incarnation Messiah prophecy texts theological Saviour God in the flesh restore rescuer anointed one expectations	Kingdom of God meanings interpretations beliefs practice service to the community parables God’s rule example of Jesus obedience to God feast social structures	Torah Jewish commandments kosher Kosher Laws Orthodox Jews Progressive Jews Tradition Ritual Diversity the Shema Sefer Torah handwritten scroll synagogue Written Torah TeNaKh mitzvot Shabbat observance Why do Christians celebrate the Eucharist? Passover Last Supper Eucharist Symbolism denominations	Qur’an Allah Muhammad messenger Tawhid sources of authority Five Pillars Hajj ibadah submission obedience generosity self-control worship pilgrimage expressions of ibadah Eid-ul-Adha Ibrahim Ismail hafiz, hafiza mosque/masjid	being made in the image of God fallen Humanists ‘good without God’ moral code non-religious divine being ancient authority code for living moral concepts values	

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