

Year 8

Timing	Unit Title	Key Question	Knowledge	Assessing Understanding
Autumn	Buddhism	What does it mean to be a Buddhist?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The life of Siddhartha Gautama • Karma and Samsara • The Four Noble Truths • The Noble Eightfold Path • The Moral Precepts • The Buddhist Vihara/life of monks • The different forms of Buddhism • Buddhist festivals 	<p>How understanding is assessed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students will be able to explain and evaluate key Buddhist teachings • Students will be able to write coherent arguments that justify their points of view. <p>Skills</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explaining, analysing and evaluating key concepts • Explaining reasons why • Asserting argument using supporting evidence <p>How students will be assessed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Written assessment on whether suffering is caused by craving
Spring	Islam	What does it mean to be a Muslim?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The life of Muhammad • The importance of the Qur'an • The nature of Allah • The 5 Pillars • Islamic Art • Jihad 	<p>How understanding is assessed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students will be able to explain and evaluate different issues within religion. • Students will be able to write coherent arguments that justify their points of view. • Students will be able to explain and evaluate key Islamic teachings <p>Skills</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explaining, analysing and evaluating key concepts • Explaining reasons why • Asserting argument using supporting evidence

				Assessment point information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Written assessment on the 5 Pillars
Summer	Christianity today	How do Christians today practise their faith?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Core Christian beliefs Different Christian denominations Baptism Celebrating the Lord's Supper Confirmation Marriage The church building 	How understanding is assessed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students will be able to explain and evaluate the different questions that Christian practice raise Students will be able to write coherent arguments that justify their points of view. Skills <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explaining, analysing and evaluating key concepts Explaining reasons why Asserting argument using supporting evidence Assessment point information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Written assessment on the life of Jesus