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Year Group	Intent/Rationale	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Year 7	Students will explore people including themselves, examining character, personality and ways in which people are unique. Students will learn key basic information about the six main religions. Students will understand that different people have different belief systems. Students will gain a knowledge and understanding of different religious symbols. Students will examine different places of worship. Students will learn about the Holy books and scriptures of the six main religions. Students will examine the life and teachings of key figures from different religions.	Religious Festivals Lessons. (Cooking for life Curriculum link). Judaism – Rosh Hashanah.	Religious Festivals Lessons. (Cooking for life Curriculum link). Hinduism/Sikhism/Other – Diwali. Christianity – Christmas.	Religious Festivals Lessons. (Cooking for life Curriculum link). Christianity – Valentines day.	Religious Festivals Lessons. (Cooking for life Curriculum link). Islam – Eid UI Fitr. Christianity – Easter.	Religious Festivals Lessons. (Cooking for life Curriculum link). Buddhism – Wesak.	
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Year 8

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For Students to examine and understand the variations of custom and practice and associated symbolism of the rites of passage of birth and initiation.

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Religious Festivals Lessons. (Cooking for life Curriculum link).

Judaism - Rosh Hashanah.

Charity Event Lessons. (PSHE Curriculum link). MacMillan Coffee Morning

Lessons. (Cooking for life Curriculum link). Hinduism/Sikhism/Other Diwali. Christianity - Christmas.

Religious Festivals

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Religious Festivals

School Event Lessons.

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		of marriage in todays	of marriage in todays	of marriage in todays
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		significance attached to	significance attached to	significance attached to
		the service.	the service.	the service.
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		impact upon how people	impact upon how people	impact upon how people
		live their lives.	live their lives.	live their lives.
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		why it is important to	why it is important to	why it is important to
		mark the passing of someone's life.	mark the passing of someone's life.	mark the passing of someone's life.
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Year 9

Students will explore specific examples of how belief can be translated into lifestyle. They will look at what impact faith can have on people's ways of life. Students will investigate, understand and explain how beliefs, values and decisions are connected including looking at some lives of key figures. Students will examine the issues surrounding peace and conflict and religious teachings in relation to this. Students will begin to gain a knowledge and understanding of different ethical issues and the Christian teachings relating to each of these.

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Peace and Conflict.

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By the end of KS3

Students will have a good understanding of different religions from around the world. Students will be able to compare and contrast different religions. Students will be able to identify a range of holy buildings, holy books, religious festivals, and religious traditions.

