

RE Curriculum Hope Community School

We wholeheartedly follow the Bexley Agreed Syllabus as this reflects that the religious traditions in Great Britain are in the main Christian, whilst taking account of the teaching and practices of the other principal religions presented in Great Britain. This agreed syllabus expects schools as a minimum to provide opportunities for pupils to be taught about Christianity and the five recognised world faiths and also explore the secular world view. We support this inclusive approach.

Christianity Year Three

THEME/CONTENT	KEY IDEAS AND BELIEFS	KEY QUESTIONS
JESUS: LIFE AND TEACHING Jesus through Art	What we know about Jesus through stories in the Gospels and expressed through art	How has Jesus been portrayed through Art?
CHRISTMAS Giving	Expressing love and gratitude through giving	Why do Christians give gifts at Christmas?
THE CHURCH: Different churches in our community	Different expressions of community and belonging	How are churches different?
EASTER Resurrection	Miracles. Victory over death	Why is the resurrection so important to Christians?
JESUS: LIFE AND TEACHING The Journeys of St. Paul	Following Jesus	How did the early church

SIKHISM Year Three

THEME/CONTENT	KEY IDEAS AND BELIEFS	KEY QUESTIONS
BELIEFS AND QUESTIONS	The Sikh belief in one God (Mool Mantar) is expressed in important values including selfless service (sewa) , earning a living by honest means (kirat karma), and sharing with others (vand chhakna)	In what practical ways do Sikhs show their belief in one God through the values of service, honesty and sharing?
TEACHINGS AND AUTHORITY	The importance of Guru Nanak and his teachings together with that of the other nine gurus The Guru Granth Sahib (holy book) is regarded as the 'living guru' (guru= teacher)	What important religious experience did Guru Nanak have in the river and how did that and other experiences lead to him becoming the first guru? How is the Guru Granth Sahib treated which shows the great respect with which it is regarded? How does the Guru Granth Sahib help Sikhs to make decisions for their community, their family and themselves?
FESTIVALS	Gurpurbs (the birthdays of the gurus) and melas (including Baisakhi and Divali) are celebrated	What festivals are celebrated? What happens at the festivals? What events do they commemorate?
SYMBOLS AND RELIGIOUS EXPRESSION	The meaning/significance of the 5 K's for Sikhs	Why do some Sikhs wear the 5 K's? What is the symbolism behind the 5 K's? What does a Sikh remember by wearing the 5 K's?
WORSHIP	The Gurdwara as a special place which shows what Sikhs believe and how they worship	What are the key features of a gurdwara? What is the significance of the features? How do these features remind Sikhs of the ways in which they should live their lives?