

Religious Education Learning Milestones



Key Stage Curriculum area	End of Key Stage 1	End of Lower Key Stage 2	End of Upper Key Stage 2
Religious beliefs and teaching	Knows some religious stories and can identify some religious beliefs and teachings. Can identify some similarities and differences in key features of religions and beliefs.	Understands the key beliefs and teachings of the religions studied, and can identify some connections between questions, beliefs, values and practices. Understands the impact of beliefs and practices on individuals, groups and communities. Understands similarities and differences within and between different religions and beliefs.	Uses religious and philosophical terminology and concepts to explain religions, beliefs and value systems. Explains some of the challenges offered by the variety of religions and beliefs in the contemporary world. Explains the reasons for, and effects of, diversity within and between religions, beliefs and cultures. Makes comparisons between the key beliefs, teachings and practices of faiths studied.
Enquiring, investigating and interpreting Meaning and purpose (making sense of life)	Recognises that some questions about life and those that cause people to wonder may have no definitive answer. Can identify possible meanings for the use of symbols and other forms of religious expression.	Suggests answers to some questions raised by the study of religions and beliefs. Suggests meanings of a range of forms of religious expression, using appropriate vocabulary.	Distinguishes between and identifies the influences on different viewpoints within religions and beliefs. Interprets religions and beliefs from different perspectives. Interprets the significance and impact of different forms of religious and spiritual expression.
Practices and lifestyles	Identifies some religious practices, and knows that some are characteristic of more than one religion.	Understands different ways of belonging to a religion and what this involves.	Explains in detail the significance of faiths studied, to the lives of individuals and communities. Compares the different ways in which people of faith communities express their faith.