Mapping Discovery RE to the Worcestershire Agreed Syllabus 2020

The mapping document that follows compares:

- 1. the pedagogies (teaching approaches)
- 2. the 'which religion/belief system when?' requirements
- 3. the subject knowledge content and
- 4. the assessment process

Introduction

Discovery RE is a set of detailed medium-term plans for RE from Years F1/2 to Year 6. It adopts an enquiry-based approach to teaching and learning. Christianity is taught in every year group, with Christmas and Easter given new treatment each year, developing the learning in a progressive way. Buddhism, Hinduism, Islam, Judaism and Sikhism are also covered. Humanist perspectives are added when appropriate in some enquiries. Each enquiry unit demands the equivalent of 6 lessons but teaching time could be blocked over perhaps 3 half days to enhance learning. Each enquiry has a learning objective which shows the learning over the enquiry and SMSC (Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural) development opportunities are mapped throughout as is each enquiry's contribution to the British Values agenda.

1. The pedagogies (teaching approaches)

Discovery RE is an enquiry-based approach to Religious Education, a different enquiry for every half-term (6 per year) focusing on one religion at a time.

The aim is to deepen children's critical thinking skills through greater subject knowledge and also to allow their own spiritual development.

Each enquiry has a big enquiry question e.g. What is the best way for a Sikh to show commitment to God? and this is explored with a **4-step process**:

Engagement (How can I relate to the underpinning concept in my own world?)

Investigation (What do I need to learn about the religion in order to answer the big question)

Evaluation (How well can I apply this knowledge to the big question using critical thinking/evaluation skills?)

Expression (Can I express what difference this enquiry has made to me, my thinking and my starting point?)

2. Which religion/s when?

Discovery RE

Christianity in every year group with one other religion each year from: Buddhism, Hinduism, Islam, Judaism and Sikhism.

Discovery RE studies Christianity in every year group with a spiral developmental approach, Christmas and Easter being given different treatment each year to deepen understanding.

Most year groups then have a choice of which other religion to study alongside Christianity, meaning that it is possible to enable children to encounter all 6 principal religions by the end of Key Stage 2 (11 years old)

Year 1 Christianity plus Judaism

Year 2 Christianity plus Judaism OR Islam

Year 3 Christianity plus Hinduism OR Sikhism

Year 4 Christianity plus Judaism OR Buddhism

Year 5 Christianity plus Hinduism OR Sikhism (whichever was not taught in Year 3)

Year 6 Christianity plus Islam

As Discovery RE is medium term planning it is perfectly possible to move planning between adjacent year groups and differentiate accordingly. If this is done then all the enquiries for the specific religion should be moved to the other year group, not just one or two.

Which religions when in the Worcestershire agreed syllabus 2020?

The Worcestershire syllabus stipulates the following coverage:

In Reception, Children will encounter Christianity and other faiths, as part of their growing sense of self, their own community and their place within it.

During Key Stage 1 Pupils study Christianity, Judaism and Islam.

During Key Stage 2 Pupils study Christianity, Hinduism, Islam and Judaism

Consideration of the other religions and non-religious worldviews can occur at any key stage, as appropriate to the school context

3. Subject Knowledge content

The overview grid at the end of this document shows the core content of the Discovery RE enquiries to enable teachers to compare this with the requirements of their agreed syllabus. However, it is worth noting that as Discovery RE is medium-term planning, the suggested content in each enquiry can be added to in order to accommodate syllabus requirements if necessary.

The Principal aim of Religious Education in the Worcestershire syllabus is to

'explore what people believe and what difference this makes to how they live, so that pupils can gain the knowledge, understanding and skills needed to handle questions raised by religion and belief, reflecting on their own ideas and ways of living.'

This principal aim is exemplified in the following three elements of the teaching and learning approach.

- To make sense of a range of religious and non-religious beliefs
- To understand the impact and significance of religious and non-religious beliefs
- To make connections between religious and non-religious beliefs, concepts, practices and ideas studied

Discovery RE, using an enquiry-based approach throughout, would contribute to this whole process

The Worcestershire syllabus states that

In Reception, Children will encounter Christianity and other faiths, as part of their growing sense of self, their own community and their place within it.

Six units are provided in the syllabus

F1 Why is the word 'God' so important to Christians? (God)

F2 Why is Christmas special for Christians? (Incarnation)

F3 Why is Easter special for Christians? (Salvation)

F4 Being special: where do we belong?

F5 Which places are special and why?

F6 Which stories are special and why?

During the Foundation Stage Discovery RE covers aspects of RE through big questions which focus on areas like special people, places, times and stories – this is consistent with the Worcestershire syllabus.

At Key Stage 1, the Worcestershire syllabus specifies that children learn about Christianity, Islam and Judaism.

Discovery RE offers the choice of Christianity and Judaism and/or Islam in Key Stage 1 so offers Worcestershire schools the opportunity to cover the recommended religions

The Worcestershire syllabus includes some units of study based around enquiry questions, Discovery RE takes a similar approach.

The Worcestershire syllabus content in Key Stage 1 is covered through the following units of study

- 1.1 What do Christians believe God is like?
- 1.2 Who do Christians say made the world?
- 1.3 Why does Christmas matter to Christians?
- 1.4 What is the 'good news' Christians believe Jesus brings?
- 1.5 Why does Easter matter to Christians?
- 1.6 Who is a Muslim and how do they live? [Double unit]
- 1.7 Who is Jewish and how do they live? [Double unit]
- 1.8 What makes some places sacred to believers? Christians and Muslims
- 1.9 How should we care for others and for the world, and why does it matter? Christians, Jews and non-religious worldviews
- 1.10 What does it mean to belong to a faith community? Christians, Jews, Muslims and non-religious worldviews

The table below shows how the Discovery RE enquiry units could help to deliver some of the suggested content

Key Stage 1

	Worcestershire Discovery RE		
No	Key Unit	Enquiry question	Core content
1.1	What do Christians believe	Does God want Christians to look	Creation Story -environmental
	God is like?	after the world?	issues
1.2	Who do Christians say made the world?	Concept: God/Creation	recycling/ stewardship
1.3	Why does Christmas matter to Christians?	Why do Christians believe God gave Jesus to the world? Concept: Incarnation	Saviour, Advent, Jesus' teachings,
		What gifts might Christians in my town have given Jesus if he had been born here rather than in Bethlehem? Concept: Incarnation	Giving – care taken as to the choice of gift
1.4	What is the 'good news' Christians believe Jesus brings?	Was it always easy for Jesus to show friendship? Concept: Incarnation	Zacchaeus Jesus stills the storm Lazarus - friendship
		Is it possible to be kind to everyone all of the time?	Good Samaritan, Love your neighbour, Healing the paralysed man
1.5	Why does Easter matter to Christians?	How important is it to Christians that Jesus came back to life after his crucifixion? Concept: Salvation	Easter symbols – resurrection- new life - egg
		Why was Jesus welcomed like a king or celebrity by the crowds on Palm Sunday? Concept: Salvation	Preparing for a special person The Messiah
1.6	Who is a Muslim and how do they live? [Double unit]	Does praying at regular intervals help a Muslim in his/ her everyday life?	Prayer, commitment to Allah
1.7	Who is Jewish and how do they live? [Double unit]	How special is the relationship Jews have with God?	Abraham – Covenant – Birth of Isaac, Moses and the 10 commandments, Mezuzah, Shema
1.8	What makes some places sacred to believers? - Christians and Muslims	Does going to a mosque give Muslims a sense of belonging?	Mosque, washing, prayer in a mosque

1.9	How should we care for	Is it possible to be kind to everyone	Good Samaritan, Love your		
	others and for the world,	all of the time?	neighbour,		
	and why does it matter?		Healing the paralysed man		
	Christians, Jews and non-				
	religious worldviews				
1.10	What does it mean to belong	Does completing Hajj make a person	Pilgrimage – Hajj – Makkah –		
	to a faith community?	a better Muslim?	significance – 5 pillars		
	Christians, Jews, Muslims	What is the best way for a Jew to	Bar/Bat Mitzvah - Mitzvah day		
	and non-religious	show commitment to God?	Tu B'Shevat (tree)		
	worldviews				
	Worcestershire	Discovery RE			

Key Stage 2:

At Key Stage 2 Pupils study Christianity, Hinduism, Judaism and Islam. Local demographics can influence the study of other belief systems.

The Worcestershire syllabus includes some units of study for Lower and Upper Key Stage 2.

The table below shows how the Discovery RE enquiry units could help to deliver some of the suggested content

Lower Key Stage 2

	Worcestershire	Discovery RE				
No	Key Unit	Enquiry question	Core content			
L2.1	What do Christians learn from the Creation story?	Do people need to go to church to show they are Christians?	Church, baptism, Eucharist, worship, daily life, prayer - stewardship			
L2.2	What is it like for someone to follow God?	How special is the relationship Jews have with God?	Covenant, Abraham, Isaac, Moses, Ten Commandments, Synagogue, Torah, Ner Tamid, Mezuzah, Shema			
L2.3	What is the 'Trinity' and why is it important for Christians?	Does belief in the Trinity help Christians make better sense of God as a whole?	Trinity, Bible, church, hymns, creeds, Gospels			
L2.4	What kind of world did Jesus want?	Is forgiveness always possible for Christians? Concept: Salvation	The Last Supper, Forgiveness, Jesus' teachings on enemies, anger, revenge,			
L2.5	Why do Christians call the day Jesus died 'Good Friday'?	What is 'good' about Good Friday? Concept: Salvation	The Last Supper, Crucifixion, forgiveness			
L2.6	For Christians, what was the impact of Pentecost?	What is the best way for a Christian to show commitment to God?	Love your neighbour, Faith in action, Christian charities, Mother Teresa, Martin Luther King, prayer, Communion, church			
L2.7	What do Hindus believe God is like?	How can Brahman be everywhere and in everything?	Brahman, deities, Ganesha, Trimurti,			
L2.8	What does it mean to be Hindu in Britain today?	Would celebrating Divali at home and in the community bring a feeling of belonging to a Hindu child?	Story of Rama and Sita, Divali, Lakshmi, temple			

L2.9	How do festivals and worship show	Does praying at regular	Prayer, commitment to Allah		
	what matters to Muslims?	intervals help a Muslim in			
		his/ her everyday life?			
L2.10	How do festivals and family life	How important is it for	Kashrut, Kosher, Passover,		
	show what matters to Jewish	Jewish people to do what	Seder Meal		
	people?	God asks them to do?			
L2.11	How and why do people mark the	Would visiting the River	River Ganges, pilgrimage,		
	significant events of life?	Ganges feel special to a non-	funeral customs, Varanasi		
	Christians, Hindus, Muslims, non-	Hindu?			
	religious				
L2.12	How and why do people try to	Could Jesus heal people?	Jesus and the blind man-The		
	make the world a better place?	Were these miracles or is	paralysed man - Miracles		
	Christians, Muslims, non-religious	there some other			
		explanation?			
		Concept: Incarnation			
	Worcestershire	Discovery RE			

Upper Key Stage 2

	Worcestershire	Discovery	/ RE
No	Key Unit	Enquiry question	Core content
U2.1	What does it mean if Christians	Does belief in the Trinity help	Trinity, Bible, church,
	believe God is holy and loving?	Christians make better sense of	hymns, creeds, Gospels
		God as a whole?	
U2.2	Creation and science: conflicting or	Links could be made to some Disco	
	complementary?	Christmas story true?' – this exami	nes truth claims
U2.3	Why do Christians believe Jesus	What is the most significant part	Christmas symbols, angel,
	was the Messiah?	of the nativity story for Christians	star, gifts, Incarnation,
		today?	Christingle
		Concept: Incarnation	
U2.4	How do Christians decide how to	Is forgiveness always possible for	The Last Supper,
	live? 'What would Jesus do?'	Christians?	Forgiveness, Jesus'
		Concept: Salvation	teachings on enemies,
			anger, revenge,
U2.5	What do Christians believe Jesus	Could Jesus heal people? Were	Jesus and the blind man-
	did to 'save' people?	these miracles or is there some	The paralysed man -
		other explanation?	Miracles
		Concept: Incarnation	
U2.6	For Christians, what kind of king is	Is anything ever eternal?	Jesus teachings and
	Jesus?	Concept: Salvation	parables, Lost Son, 10
			lepers, 2 Great
			commandments, agape,
			heaven, love
U2.7	Why do Hindus want to be good?	Do beliefs in Karma, Samsara and	Good deeds, Rama, re-
		Moksha help Hindus lead good	incarnation, Sadhu
		lives?	
U2.8	What does it mean to be a Muslim	What is the best way for a	5 pillars – prayer – charity -
	in Britain today?	Muslim to show commitment to	fasting – Hajj pilgrimage
		God	
U2.9	Why is the Torah so important to	How special is the relationship	Covenant, Abraham, Isaac,
1	Jewish people?	Jews have with God?	Moses, Ten
			Commandments,
			Synagogue, Torah, Ner
			Tamid, Mezuzah, Shema

U2.10	What matters most to Humanists,	What is the best way for a	Love your neighbour, Faith			
	Christians? Christians and non-	Christian to show commitment to in action, Christian				
	religious, with opportunities to	God?	charities, Mother Teresa,			
	include other faiths studied		Martin Luther King, prayer,			
			Communion, church			
U2.11	Why do some people believe in	Is anything ever eternal?				
	God and some people not?	(material could be added to this using content from several				
	Christians, non-religious	enquiries and Humanists UK resour	ces)			
U2.12	How does faith help people when	Does belief in Akhirah (life after	Actions/consequences,			
	life gets hard? Christians, Muslims	death) help Muslims lead good	Greater Jihad, Military			
	and/or Jews and/or Hindus, non-	lives?	Jihad, Qur'an, Lesser			
	religious		Jihad/Holy War			
	Worcestershire	Discovery RE				

Discovery RE provides material covering content for the six principal religions up to the end of Key Stage 2. As this includes the religions recommended in the syllabus, Worcestershire schools would have the content they need in Discovery RE to help fulfil the syllabus requirements.

Please compare to the overview grid below.

4. The assessment process

Assessment in Discovery RE

Mindful that the majority of agreed syllabi for RE around the country used to align themselves to the 2 attainment target and 8-level scale system of assessing children's RE learning, the original edition of Discovery RE followed this pattern in order to be of service to teachers.

Some people are still obliged to follow agreed syllabi containing this system, so Discovery RE continues to reference the 2 attainment targets (albeit teasing out the different aspects of AT2).

However, mindful of the educational landscape 'beyond levels', we also offer an alternative colour-coded system:

• End of key stage age-related expectations for KS1, lower KS2 and upper KS2. This is similar to the RE Council non-statutory framework for RE (2013) which also suggests end of KS3 expectations, summarised as: (Abridged NCFRE showing the 3 strands A, B and C. (For Curriculum Framework for RE, just Google).

End of Key Stage Colour-coded descriptors in Discovery RE

"WORKING AT"	GREEN DESCRIPTORS	BLUE DESCRIPTORS	RED DESCRIPTORS		
expectation.	Personal resonance with or reflection on	Knowledge and understanding of the	Skills of evaluation and critical thinking in relation		
Most children are expected to reach these expectations.	The concept / belief underlying the subject matter of the enquiry	subject matter of that enquiry (subject knowledge)	to the big enquiry question		
	Child's own thoughts, opinions, belief, empathy.				
End of Key Stage 1	I can tell you / talk about	I can recall facts about	I can start to think through		
(Year 2, Age 7, 'old' Level 2)	what concepts like belonging, commitment, kindness, forgiveness mean to me in my world	the religions / beliefs I have studied, begin to use the religious vocabulary and start to explain the significance and meaning	the enquiry question using some facts and am beginning to see there could be more than one		
	I can verbalise and / or express my own thoughts		answer.		
End of LOWER key Stage 2 (Year 4, Age 9, 'old' Level 3)	I can tell you / talk about the concept / belief e.g. belonging and start to relate this to the people I am studying e.g. Jews. I can express my own opinions and start to support them with rationale.	I can recall facts about religions I have studied, select the facts that are most significant to the enquiry and start to explain their relevance / importance.	I can apply my knowledge to the enquiry question and give an answer supported by one or more facts.		
End of Key Stage 2 (Year 6, Age 11, 'old' Level 4)	I can explain how the concept / belief e.g. forgiveness resonates in my own life and can also see this might be different for other people because of their religion/beliefs I can express my own	I can recall facts about religions and explain differences in practice and interpretation within and between religions / belief systems.	I can weigh up evidence and different arguments / aspects relevant to the enquiry question and express my answer, supported with evidence / rationale.		
	thoughts etc having reflected on them in relation to other people's.				

• 3 age-related expectation descriptors for each enquiry in each year group. These expectations (working AT, TOWARDS and BEYOND) give guidance for assessing each of the 3 aspects of learning involved and made explicit in Discovery RE. Schools can, of course, use the language of their choice to describe these expectations (e.g. developing, secure, exceeding) in order to ensure RE is in line with the school's system.

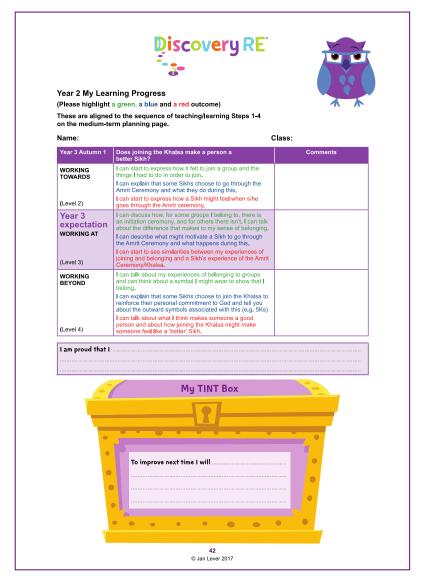
The 3 aspects of learning are colour-coded:

Green: personal resonance with or reflection on... (formerly AT2 personal)

Blue: knowledge and understanding of... (formerly AT1)

Red: evaluation/critical thinking in relation to the enquiry question (formerly AT2 impersonal).

This colour coding runs through the planning and activity sheets so the teacher can see which activity is focused on which aspect of learning and follow this through in the expectation descriptors (Working TOWARDS, Working AT and Working BEYOND) and in the exemplification. This will make it easier to link teaching with learning outcomes, as RE is a complex subject to assess.



This is an example of an end-of-unit assessment sheet. It also allows children to assess themselves and identify actions they could take to improve next time. (TINT)

Assessment process in the syllabus

The Worcestershire Agreed Syllabus measures assessment using end of phase expectations. The syllabus includes unit and end of phase outcome statements which can also be used in reporting The statements reflect the three aims below

- A Making sense of beliefs
- B Understanding the impact
- C Making connections

Teachers will be able to comment if students are emerging, meeting expectations or exceeding the specific unit outcomes. These phrases are suggestions but are likely to be adopted in practice.

Discovery RE 3rd edition, being conscious of the variety of assessment models used in schools, has developed a colour-coded assessment process with 3 age-related expectations for the end of each enquiry as well as summary descriptors at the end of each Key Stage. This is to keep in line with recent developments in assessment which have moved away from attainment targets and the eight-level scale. Discovery RE does, however, still cross-reference to the Attainment Targets 1 and 2 and eight level scale used in some syllabi.

Support for Discovery RE schools in Worcestershire

We offer the website www.discoveryschemeofwork.com to Discovery RE users as an ongoing hub of support. People are welcome to contribute. Termly newsletters, fresh articles and additional resources are added regularly. Alerts are sent out via email.

We offer ongoing support to schools using Discovery RE by:

- Offering each school a mentor, always on hand to answer any questions and offer support and advice
- Giving password-protected access to the Discovery RE Community Area on the website
- Regular newsletters including updates and more teaching/learning ideas

Our Philosophy

Our belief is that, using an enquiry-based model well, children's critical thinking skills can be developed, their motivation to learn increased, and their knowledge and understanding of, and empathy with people and their beliefs, religious or otherwise, will be enhanced.

This approach takes very seriously the philosophy that children are free to make their own choices and decisions concerning religion and belief. RE does not try to persuade but rather to inform and develop the skills with which evaluation can take place.

Discovery RE uses a four-step enquiry model - The four steps are: **Engagement, Investigation, Evaluation** and **Expression**

These steps allow for an enquiry-based learning experience that starts in the child's own world, takes them on a journey into the world of religion and challenges them to think evaluatively about big questions, before reflecting on and expressing their own thoughts. It lends itself to independent work, small and whole group work and a wide range of exciting teaching and learning opportunities. Discovery RE embraces the need to challenge and extend children individually whilst encouraging skills of reflection and empathy.

Discovery RE is a thoughtful and creative set of RE planning for the whole Primary school, F1/2 to Year 6. We hope it makes teachers' lives easier and short-cuts the planning process, freeing them to design exciting and challenging teaching/learning activities for each lesson/enquiry.

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Discovery RE: Overview

Autumn 1 Autumn 2 Spring 1 Spring 2 Summer 1 Theme: Special People Concept: Incarnation Key Question: What makes people special? What makes people special? What is Christinas? Religions: Christianity Incertion: Lock after the world? Religion: Christianity Religion: Locar 1 secritor: Does celebration Chanukah make lewish children feel chaser 1 God? Religion: Judaism Religio	There is an ar		_			F1/2			\ -
Summer 1 : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : :	ditional ontional ludaism enquiry	Religion: Christianity	Key Question: Does God want Christians to look after the world?	Theme: Creation Story Concept: God/Creation	Religions: Christianity, Judaism	Key Question: What makes people special?		Theme: Special People	Autumn 1
Summer 1 : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : :	at the end of the Year 1 section	Religion: Christianity	Key Question: What gifts might Christians in my town have given Jesus if he had been bom here rather than in Bethlehem?	Theme: Christmas Concept: Incarnation	Religion: Christianity	Key Question: What is Christmas?	Concept: Incarnation	Theme: Christmas	Autumn 2
Summer 1 : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : :	· Does celebrating Chanukah m	Religion: Christianity	Key Question: Was it always easy for Jesus to show friendship?	Theme: Jesus as a friend Concept: Incarnation	Religions: Hinduism	Key Question: How do people celebrate?		Theme: Celebrations	Spring 1
Summer 1 : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : :	nake lewish children feel closer	Religion: Christianity	Key Question: Why was Jesus welcomed like a king or celebrity by the crowds on Palm Sunday?	Theme: Easter - Palm Sunday Concept: Salvation	Religion: Christianity	Key Question: What is Easter?	Concept: Salvation	Ü	Spring 2
Summer 2 Theme: Special Places Key Question: What makes places special? Religions: Christianity, Islam, Judaism Theme: Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur Key Question: Are Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur important to Jewish Children? Religion: Judaism	to God?	Religion: Judaism	Key Question: Is Shabbat important to Jewish children?	Theme: Shabbat	Religions: Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, Sikhism	Key Question: What can we learn from stories?		Theme: Stories	Summer 1
		Religion: Judaism	Key Question: Are Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur important to Jewish children?	Theme: Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur	Religions: Christianity, Islam, Judaism	Key Question: What makes places special?		Theme: Special Places	Summer 2

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There is an additional optional Judaism enquiry at the end of the Year 1 section: Does celebrating Chanukah make Jewish children teel closer to God? N Is it possible to be kind to everyone all of the time? **Key Question:** Jesus teach? Theme: What did Religion: Christianity Why do Christians believe God gave Jesus to the world? **Key Question:** Concept: Incarnation Christmas - Jesus as gift from God Theme: How important is it for Jewish people to do what God asks them to do? Does praying at regular intervals help a Muslim in his/her everyday life? **Key Question:** Prayer at home **Key Question:** Theme: Religion: Christianity How important is it to Christians that Jesus came back to life after His crucifixion?

Theme: Concept: Salvation Easter - Resurrection Key Question: Theme: a Mosque give Muslims a sense of belonging? Key Question: Does going to Community and Belonging **Key Question:** Theme: How special is the relationship Jews have with God? Hajj Key Question: Does completing Hajj make a person a better Muslim? Key Question: Rites of Passage and good works What is the best way for a Jew to show commitment to God? Theme:

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Religion: Buddhism	Key Question: Is it possible for everyone to be happy?	Theme: Buddha's teachings	Religion: Judaism	How special is the relationship Jews have with God?	Key Question:	Theme: Beliefs and Practices	Religion: Sikhism	Key Question: Does joining the Khalsa make a person a better Sikh?	*Theme: The Amrit Ceremony and the Khalsa	Religion: Hinduism	Key Question: Would celebrating Divali at home and in the community bring a feeling of belonging to a Hindu child?		Theme: Divali	
			Religion: Christianity	What is the most significant part of the nativity story for Christians today?	Concept: Incarnation Key Question:	Theme: Christmas				Religion: Christianity	Key Question: Has Christmas lost its true meaning?	Concept: Incarnation	Theme: Christmas	
Religion: Buddhism	Key Question: Can the Buddha's teachings make the world a better place?	Theme: The 8-fold path	Religion: Judaism	How important is it for Jewish people to do what God asks them to do?	Key Question:	Theme: Passover				Religion: Christianity	Key Question: Could Jesus heal people? Were these miracles or is there some other explanation?	Concept: Incarnation	Theme: Jesus' Miracles	
			Religion: Christianity	Is forgiveness always possible for Christians?	Concept: Salvation Key Question:	Theme: Easter				Religion: Christianity	Key Question: What is 'good' about Good Friday?	Concept: Salvation	Theme: Easter - Forgiveness	
Religion: Buddhism	Key Question: What is the best way for a Buddhist to lead a good life?	Theme: The 8-fold path	Religion: Judaism	What is the best way for a Jew to show commitment to God?		Theme: Rites of Passage and good works	Religion: Sikhism	Key Question: Do Sikhs think it is important to share?	*Theme: Sharing and Community	Religion: Hinduism	Key Question: How can Brahman be everywhere and in everything?		*Theme: Hindu Beliefs	
			Religion: Christianity	Do people need to go to church to show they are Christians?	Key Question:	Theme: Prayer and Worship	Religion: Sikhism	Key Question: What is the best way for a Sikh to show commitment to God?	* Theme: Prayer and Worship	Religion: Hinduism	Key Question: Would visiting the River Ganges feel special to a non-Hindu?		*Theme: Pilgrimage to the River Ganges	

Religion: Buddhism

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There is an additional optional Christianity enquiry at the end of the Year 4 section: Why are there four Gospels and how are they relevant to Christians today? Religion: Buddhism



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Prayer and Worship Key Question: What is the best way for a Hindu to show commitment to God? Religion: Hinduism	Religion: Sikhism *Theme:	Key Question: How far would a Sikh go for his/ her religion? Key Question: Key Question:	*Theme: Belief into action
	Religion: Christianity	Key Question: Is the Christmas story true?	Theme: Christmas Concent: Incarnation
Key Question: How can Brahman be everywhere and in everything? Religion: Hinduism	Religion: Sikhism *Theme:	Key Question: Are Sikh stories important today?	*Theme: Beliefs and moral values
	Religion: Christianity	Key Question: How significant is it for Christians to believe God intended Jesus to die?	Theme: Easter Concent: Salvation
Key Question: Key Question: Do beliefs in Karma, Samsara and Moksha help Hindus lead good lives? Religion: Hinduism	Religion: Sikhism *Theme:	Key Question: What is the best way for a Sikh to show commitment to God?	*Theme: Prayer and Worship
	Religion: Christianity	Key Question: What is the best way for a Christian to show commitment to God?	Theme: Beliefs and Practices

There is an additional optional Christianity enquiry at the end of the Year 5 section: Does belief in the Trinity help Christians make better sense of God as a whole?

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		Religion: Islam	What is the best way for a Muslim to show commitment to God?	Key Question:		Beliefs and Practices	Theme:
Key Question: Do Christmas celebrations and traditions help Christians	Concept: Incamation	Christmas	was lesus' mother? Theme:	Key Question:	Concept: Incamation	Christmas	Theme:
			Religion: Christianity	;	Concept: Salvation	Beliefs and Meaning	Theme:
		Religion: Christianity	religion 2000 years after Jesus was on Earth?	Key Question:	Concept: Gospel	Easter	Theme:
	NB: This enquiry is taught in 2 sections over the term	Religion: Islam	Lives? In Akniran (lire aπer death) nelp Muslims lead good lives?			Beliefs and moral values	Theme:

There is an additional optional Christianity enquiry at the end of the Year 6 section: How did Jesus create a 'New Covenant' and what does that mean

Discovery RE 3rd edition Content summary for each Discovery RE enquiry

Year & Term	Discovery RE enquiry question	Key Content
F1/2 Autumn 1	What makes people special?	Family, friends, role models, Jesus, Moses
F1/2 Autumn 2	What is Christmas? Concept: Incarnation	Giving, thanks, Christmas story, shepherds, wise men, Nativity
F1/2 Spring 1	How do people celebrate?	New Year, Chinese New Year, Nowruz (Persian New Year), Holi
F1/2 Spring 2	What is Easter? Concept: Salvation	Spring, Easter Eggs, Palm Sunday, cross
F1/2 Summer 1	What can we learn from stories?	Boy who cried wolf, Crocodile and the priest (Sikh), Bilal and the butterfly (Muslim), Gold Giving Serpent (Indian), The elephant and the dog (Asian), The parable of the lost coin
F1/2 Summer 2	What makes places special?	Home, global homes, the world, church, mosque, synagogue
Year 1 Autumn 1	Does God want Christians to look after the world? Concept: God/Creation	Creation Story - environmental issues recycling/ stewardship
Year 1 Autumn 2	What gifts might Christians in my town have given Jesus if he had been born here rather than in Bethlehem? Concept: Incarnation	Giving - care taken as to the choice of gift
Year 1 Spring 1	Was it always easy for Jesus to show friendship? Concept: Incarnation	Zacchaeus - Jesus stills the storm Lazarus - friendship
Year 1 Spring 2	Why was Jesus welcomed like a king or celebrity by the crowds on Palm Sunday? Concept: Salvation	Preparing for a special person The Messiah
Year 2 Autumn 1	Is it possible to be kind to everyone all of the time?	Good Samaritan, Love your neighbour, Healing the paralysed man Saviour, Advent, Jesus' teachings
Year 2 Autumn 2	Why do Christians believe God gave Jesus to the world? Concept: Incarnation	Saviour, Advent, Jesus' teachings
Year 2 Spring 2	How important is it to Christians that Jesus came back to life after his crucifixion? Concept: Salvation	Easter symbols - resurrection- new life - egg

Christianity cont.

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Year 3 Autumn 2	Has Christmas lost its true meaning? Concept: Incarnation	Symbols, key message to Christians
Year 3 Spring 1	Could Jesus heal people? Were these miracles or is there some other explanation? Concept: Incarnation	Jesus and the blind man - The paralysed man - Miracles
Year 3 Spring 2	What is 'good' about Good Friday? Concept: Salvation	The Last Supper, Crucifixion, forgiveness
Year 4 Autumn 2	What is the most significant part of the nativity story for Christians today? Concept: Incarnation	Christmas symbols, angel, star, gifts, Incarnation, Christingle
Year 4 Spring 2	Is forgiveness always possible for Christians? Concept: Salvation	The Last Supper, Forgiveness, Jesus' teachings on enemies, anger, revenge,
Year 4 Summer 2	Do people need to go to church to show they are Christians?	Church, baptism, Eucharist, worship, daily life, prayer
Year 5 Autumn 2	Is the Christmas story true? Concept: Incarnation	Christmas story
Year 5 Spring 2	How significant is it for Christians to believe God intended Jesus to die? Concept: Salvation	Last Supper, Holy week, Crucifixion
Year 5 Summer 2	What is the best way for a Christian to show commitment to God?	Love your neighbour, Faith in action, Christian charities, Mother Teresa, Martin Luther King, prayer, Communion, church
	Does belief in the Trinity help Christians make better sense of God as a whole?	Trinity, Bible, church, hymns, creeds, Gospels
Year 6 Autumn 2 or	How significant is it that Mary was Jesus' mother? Concept: Incarnation	Mary in art Why was Mary chosen? Joseph
	Do Christmas celebrations and traditions help Christians understand who Jesus was and why he was born?	Celebrations and traditions, symbols
	Concept: Incarnation	
Year 6 Spring 1	Is anything ever eternal? Concept: Salvation	Jesus teachings and parables, Lost Son, 10 lepers, 2 Great commandments, agape, heaven, love
Year 6 Spring 2	Is Christianity still a strong religion 2000 years after Jesus was on Earth? Concept: Gospel	Festivals, charities, Christianity in society

Buddhism

Year & Term	Discovery RE enquiry question	Key Content
Year 4 Autumn 1	Is it possible for everyone to be happy?	Life of the Buddha, the search for enlightenment
Year 4 Spring 1	Can the Buddha's teachings make the world a better place?	The 8-fold path, 3 universal truths, suffering, Buddha's teachings, Right Speech
Year 4 Summer 1	What is the best way for a Buddhist to lead a good life	The 8-fold path (Right Viewpoint, Right Awareness, Right Speech, Right Concentration, Right Action, Right Thought, Right Effort and Right Living).

Hinduism

Year & Term	Discovery RE enquiry question	Key Content
Year 3 Autumn 1	Would celebrating Divali at home and in the community bring a feeling of belonging to a Hindu child?	Story of Rama and Sita, Divali, Lakshmi, temple
Year 3 Summer 1	How can Brahman be everywhere and in everything?	Brahman, deities, Ganesha, Trimurti
Year 3 Summer 2	Would visiting the River Ganges feel special to a non-Hindu?	River Ganges, pilgrimage, funeral customs, Varanasi
Year 5 Autumn 1	What is the best way for a Hindu to show commitment to God?	Murtis, worship at home (Puja), 4 goals, Dharma, Pilgrimage
Year 5 Spring 1	How can Brahman be everywhere and in everything?	Is there a soul?, trimurti, God, deities
Year 5 Summer 1	Do beliefs in Karma, Samsara and Moksha help Hindus lead good lives?	Good deeds, Rama, re-incarnation, Sadhu

Islam

Year & Term	Discovery RE enquiry question	Key Content
Year 2 Spring 1	Does praying at regular intervals help a Muslim in his/ her everyday life?	Prayer, commitment to Allah
Year 2 Summer 1	Does going to a mosque give Muslims a sense of belonging?	Mosque, washing, prayer in a mosque
Year 2 Summer 2	Does completing Hajj make a person a better Muslim?	Pilgrimage - Hajj - Makkah - significance - 5 pillars
Year 6 Autumn 1	What is the best way for a Muslim to show commitment to God	5 pillars - prayer - charity -fasting - Hajj pilgrimage
Year 6 Summer 1	Does belief in Akhirah (life after death) help Muslims lead good lives?	Actions/consequences, Greater Jihad, Military Jihad, Qur'an, Lesser Jihad/Holy War
Year 6 Summer 2		

Judaism

Year & Term	Discovery RE enquiry question	Key Content
Year 1 Summer 1	Is Shabbat important to Jewish children?	Special day - Shabbat meal - synagogue
Year 1 Summer 2	Are Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur important to Jewish children?	Forgiveness - repentance - Food and symbolism New year plans, prayer, synagogue
Year 1 Summer 2	Does celebrating Chanukah make Jewish children feel closer to God?	Chanukah story, miracle, celebration
Year 2 Spring 1	How important is it for Jewish people to do what God asks them to do?	Covenant, Abraham, Moses, Passover, the Exodus, Seder meal - symbolism
Year 2 Summer 1	How special is the relationship Jews have with God?	Abraham - Covenant - Birth of Isaac, Moses and the 10 commandments, Mezuzah, Shema
Year 2 Summer 2	What is the best way for a Jew to show commitment to God?	Bar/Bat Mitzvah - Mitzvah day Tu B'Shevat (tree)
Year 4 Autumn 1	How special is the relationship Jews have with God?	Covenant, Abraham, Isaac, Moses, Ten Commandments, Synagogue, Torah, Ner Tamid, Mezuzah, Shema
Year 4 Spring 1	How important is it for Jewish people to do what God asks them to do?	Kashrut, Kosher, Passover, Seder Meal
Year 4 Summer 1	What is the best way for a Jew to show commitment to God?	Rites of Passage and good works, Shabbat, Bar/Bat Mitzvah, Mitzvoth Tu B'Shevat (tree)

Sikhism

Year & Term	Discovery RE enquiry question	Key Content
Year 3 Autumn 1	Does joining the Khalsa make a person a better Sikh?	Khalsa, Amrit, 5Ks
Year 3 Summer 1	Do Sikhs think it is important to share?	Vaisakhi, Divali, Guru Hargobind, Gurdwara, Guru Granth Sahib, Langar
Year 3 Summer 2	What is the best way for a Sikh to show commitment to God?	5 KS, Amrit, Khalsa recap, worship, Guru Granth Sahib, Mool Mantar, 3 Golden rules, Gurdwara
Year 5 Autumn 1	How far would a Sikh go for his/ her religion?	Guru Nanak, Worship, the Langar, the Golden Temple of Amritsar, marriage, 5Ks
Year 5 Spring 1	Are Sikh stories important today?	Guru Granth Sahib, Guru Nanak and the jasmine flower, Bhai Lalo and Malik Bhago, Vaisakhi, Guru Nanak and the Cobra
Year 5 Summer 1	What is the best way for a Sikh to show commitment to God?	5 Ks, Gurdwara, Sewa