

## Year 8 Religious Studies Curriculum Overview

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
8	How did we get here?	What does it mean to be a Sikh?	Why do we suffer?		Does God exist?	What is Humanism?
Knowledge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Christian Creation account.</li><li>• Hindu Creation accounts</li><li>• Literal and non-literal interpretations</li><li>• Scientific theories of creation: Big Bang an Evolution</li><li>• Can scientists be religious?</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The Life of Guru Nanak</li><li>• Sikh views on equality</li><li>• The founding of the Khalsa</li><li>• How and why do Sikhs celebrate Vaisakhi?</li><li>• Wearing the 5K's in Britain in 2020</li><li>• Sikh beliefs about God</li><li>• How do Sikhs worship?</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Definitions of evil and suffering</li><li>• Why does evil and suffering cause problems for believers?</li><li>• Christian explanations of evil and suffering</li><li>• Augustinian and Irenaean Theodicy</li><li>• Buddhist explanations to suffering and evil</li><li>• Work of Christian charities</li></ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• How can God be described?</li><li>• How can beliefs be symbolised?</li><li>• What is faith?</li><li>• Arguments for/against Gods existence: First cause; design; miracles</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What is Humanism?</li><li>• What do Humanists believe?</li><li>• How do humanists decide right from wrong?</li><li>• How do Humanists find meaning and purpose?</li><li>• What are Humanist attitudes to life and death?</li></ul>
Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Acquisition and application of accurate knowledge</li><li>➤ Describe/Description</li><li>➤ Explanation – to demonstrate understanding, linking to Sources of Wisdom within the worldviews studied.</li><li>➤ Evaluation - Development &amp; presentation of coherent arguments for and against a premise.</li><li>➤ Analysis – Critically consider arguments for and against a premise, allowing a conclusion to be reached.</li></ul>					