CHERRY TREE CURRICULUM OVERVIEW



Religious Education

	AUTUMN 1	AUTUMN 2	SPRING 1	SPRING 2	SUMMER 1	SUMMER 2
Early Years	Theme: Special People Key question: What makes people special? Religions: Christianity, Judaism	Theme: Christmas Concept: Incarnation Key question: What is Christmas? Religion: Christianity	Theme: Celebrations Key question: How do people celebrate? Religion: Hinduism	Theme: Easter Concept: Salvation Key question: What is Easter? Religion: Christianity	Theme: Stories Key question: What can we learn from stories? Religions: Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, Sikhism	Theme: Special places Key question: What makes places special? Religions: Christianity, Islam, Judaism
Year 1	Theme: Creation Story Concept: God / Creation Key question: Does God want Christians to look after the world? Religion: Christianity	Theme: Christmas Concept: Incarnation Key question: What gifts might Christians in my town have given Jesus if he had been born here rather than in Bethlehem? Religion: Christianity	Theme: Jesus as a friend Concept: Incarnation Key question: Was it always easy for Jesus to show friendship? Religion: Christianity	Theme: Easter- Palm Sunday Concept: Salvation Key question: Why was Jesus welcomed like a king or celebrity by the crowds on Palm Sunday? Religion: Christianity	Theme: Shabbat Key question: Is Shabbat important to Jewish children? Religion: Judaism	Theme: Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur Key question: Are Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur important to Jewish children? Religion: Judaism
Year 2	Theme: What did Jesus teach? Key question Is it possible to be kind to everyone all of the time? Religion: Christianity	Theme: Christmas – Jesus as Gift from God Concept: Incarnation Key question: Why do Christians believe God gave Jesus to the world? Religion: Christianity	Theme: Prayer at home Key question: Does praying at regular intervals help a Muslim in his/ her everyday life? Religion: Islam	Theme: Easter - Resurrection Concept: Salvation Key question: How important is it to Christians that Jesus came back to life after His crucifixion? Religion: Christianity	Theme: Community and Belonging Key question: Does going to a Mosque give Muslims a sense of belonging? Religion: Islam	Theme: Hajj Key question: Does completing Hajj make a person a better Muslim? Religion: Islam

Year 3	Theme: The Amrit Ceremony and the Khalsa Key question: Does joining the Khalsa make a person a better Sikh? Religion: Sikhism	Theme: Christmas Concept: Incarnation Key question: Has Christmas lost its true meaning? Religion: Christianity	Theme: Jesus' Miracles Concept: Incarnation Key question: Could Jesus heal people? Were these miracles or is there some other explanation? Religion: Christianity	Theme: Easter - Forgiveness Concept: Salvation Key question: What is 'good' about Good Friday? Religion: Christianity	Theme: Sharing and Community Key question: Do Sikhs think it is important to share? Religion: Sikhism	Theme: Prayer and Worship Key question: What is the best way for a Sikh to show commitment to God? Religion: Sikhism
Year 4	Theme: Buddha's teachings Key question: Is it possible for everyone to be happy? Religion: Buddhism	Theme: Christmas Concept: Incarnation Key question: What is the most significant part of the nativity story for Christians today? Religion: Christianity	Theme: The 8-fold path Key question: Is it possible for everyone to be happy? Can the Buddha's teachings make the world a better place? Religion: Buddhism	Theme: Easter Concept: Salvation Key question: Is forgiveness always possible for Christians? Religion: Christianity	Theme: The 8-fold path Key question: What is the best way for a Buddhist to lead a good life? Religion: Buddhism	Theme: Prayer and Worship Key question: Do people need to go to church to show they are Christians? Religion: Christianity
Year 5	Theme: Prayer and Worship Key question: What is the best way for a Hindu to show commitment to God? Religion: Hinduism	Theme: Christmas Concept: Incarnation Key question: Is the Christmas story true? Religion: Christianity	Theme: Hindu Beliefs Key question: How can Brahman be everywhere and in everything? Religion: Hinduism	Theme: Easter Concept: Salvation Key question: How significant is it for Christians to believe God intended Jesus to die? Religion: Christianity	Theme: Beliefs and moral values Key question: Do beliefs in Karma, Samsara and Moksha help Hindus lead good lives? Religion: Hinduism	Theme: Beliefs and Practices Key question: What is the best way for a Christian to show commitment to God? Religion: Christianity
Year 6	Theme: Beliefs and Practices Key question: What is the best way for a Muslim to show commitment to God? Religion: Islam	Theme: Christmas Concept: Incarnation Key question: How significant is it that Mary was Jesus' mother? Religion: Christianity	Theme: Beliefs and Meaning Concept: Salvation Key question: How significant is it that Mary was Jesus' mother? Religion: Christianity	Theme: Easter Concept: Gospel Key question: How significant is it that Mary was Jesus' mother? Religion: Christianity	Theme: Beliefs and Values Key question: Does belief in Akhirah (life after death) help Muslims lead good lives? Religion: Islam	