

	Identity and belonging. Practices and ways of life	Forms of expression Values and Commitments	Beliefs, teachings and sources, Values and Commitments	Forms of expression Identity and belonging	Practices, ways of life, beliefs , teachings and sources	Meaning, purpose and truth. Beliefs, teachings and sources
Blue depicts the links to Understanding Christianity Units						
Cycle 1	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Reception	Why am I special? God Why is the word God so important to Christians?	What is a celebration? Incarnation Why do Christians perform Nativity plays at Christmas?	What are special stories for Christians?	What is a special symbol? Why do Christians put a cross in an Easter garden?	What is a special place?	How do we look after the world? Creation
Year 1/2	What does it mean to belong?	Why do Christians give gifts at Christmas?	What do sacred writings teach about leaders? Bible, Torah Gospel What is the good news that Jesus brings?	How do Christians celebrate Easter?	What are special places of worship? Christian and Jewish	How do we appreciate the natural world? Creation Who made the world?
Year 3 / 4	Why do people go on pilgrimages? (Include Judaism and Islam Hajj)	Why is Advent important to Christians?	How and why is worship important? Explore Christian, Jewish and Buddhist People of God What is it like to follow God?	What does the Easter story tell us about hope and despair? Salvation Why is Good Friday good?	What do Christians learn from the Creation story?	What can we learn from religious leaders? (Including the Buddha)
Year 5/ 6	What do Christians believe about wealth and poverty? Kingdom of God What kind of king is Jesus?	What does incarnation mean for Christians? Incarnation Was Jesus the Messiah?	Why are places of worship important for different religious believers?	Why and how do people pray? Christians, Jews and Muslims	What is the importance of community for believers ? Judaism, Christianity, Buddhism	What do other faiths teach about care and respect for others? Gospel What

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Cycle 2

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Reception	Why am I special?	What is a celebration?	What are special stories for Christians?	What is a special symbol?	What is a special place?	How do we look after the world?
Year 1 / 2	Why do Christians celebrate Harvest? (Include Jewish celebration of Succoth)	What are the messages of Christmas? Incarnation Why does Christmas matter to Christians?	What makes a good leader?	Why is Easter important? Salvation Why does Easter matter to Christians?	What are special buildings for Jews and Christians?	Who and where is God? God What do Christians believe that God is like?
Year 3 / 4	What are important rites of passage? Baptism, Confirmation, Bar Mitzvah Incarnation What is the Trinity?	Why is light important to Christians? (reference to other religious festivals that feature light)	What do Christian writings teach about forgiveness? Gospel What kind of world did Jesus want?	How do Christians prepare for Easter?	What did Jesus teach people about the kingdom of God? Kingdom of God What was the impact of Pentecost?	What did the Buddha teach?
Year 5 / 6	How do Christians demonstrate justice in their lives? People of God How can following God bring freedom and justice?	Why do Christians associate Christmas with peace? Incarnation	What do Old Testament stories teach about God? (Link with Judaism and Torah). God What does it mean if God is Holy and loving?	Easter Was the crucifixion of Jesus a sacrifice? Salvation What did Jesus do to save human beings?	Why is the Holy Spirit important for Christians? (Pentecost)	What does it mean to be a religious believer in British society today? Explore other religions – Islam, Judaism, Buddhism Creation / Fall Conflicts with science

