

Dates of Festivals and units to be included throughout the year.

Harvest October 1st- October 23rd

Rosh Hoshanah- 25th September. Unit begin Monday 22nd September

Diwali- 24th October – Unit begin Monday 24th

Lent – 22nd February to April 6th

Ramadan- 22nd March to 21st April

Dates to support the above.

Easter – 9th April

Passover – 5th to 13th April

Eid-al Fitur- 21 April

Eid-al-Adha – 28th June

Holi Spring - March 8th

R.E Curriculum Diwali- 24th October

The big question “ What is the significance of Diwali?”		
Celebrations, Diwali		
Yr	Objectives	Suggested Activities
EYF S	What is Diwali?	Chn to be read the Diwali story Sequence
1	What is Diwali?	Chn to be read the Diwali story Sequence events
2	What is Diwali?	Chn to be read the Diwali story

	Sequence and retell the story.
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Key vocab:		
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3	What is Diwali?	Recap the Diwali story Sequence and retell the story. How is Diwali celebrated? What are the symbols of Diwali?
4	What is Diwali?	Recap the Diwali story How is Diwali celebrated? Who celebrates? Look at Hindu and Sikh celebrations.
5	What is Diwali?	Recap the Diwali story How is Diwali celebrated? Who celebrates? Look at Hindu and Sikh celebrations. Why is light important? Compare to other religions. Which religions consider light to be an important symbol?
6	What is Diwali?	Recap the Diwali story How do the different religions celebrate? Look at similarities and differences. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prayer • Family • Food • Gifts

R.E Curriculum Harvest During Harvest Week.

The big question “Why is the harvest celebrated?”		
Being thankful for what we have		
Yr	Objectives	Suggested Activities
EYFS	What is harvest?	Explain that harvest is a time of year when crops were harvested after growing.
1	What is harvest?	Explain that harvest is a time of year to be thankful for the food we eat. What things are you thankful for?

2	What are you thankful for?	Chn to say what they are thankful for in their life. How do they show they are thankful?
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Key vocab: ●		
3	Is harvest still as relevant as it was?	Look at the history of harvest. How have things changed in the last 100 years? (e.g whole families would go hop picking etc.) Are there any places now where you can pick your own? What can be picked? Discuss British produce - link to British Values. -Could do a trip to Good Food Matters
4	How did the Saxons celebrate harvest? How do other religions celebrate harvest?	Recap harvest Look at Saxons celebration of harvest, how does it compare with harvest celebrations through the ages?
5	How do other religions/cultures give thanks to God?	Look at Hindu/Buddhist offerings of fruit/flowers/money etc Look at celebrations in other cultures e.g. Thanksgiving, Japan - labour thanksgiving day, Onam hindu festival
6	How does our behaviour show that we are thankful?	What are you thankful for? Discuss; is saying thank you the same as being thankful? Discuss that thank you and sorry are often said but not meant. How does their treatment of their parents/siblings show they are thankful

R.E Curriculum Lent

The big question “What is Lent?”
Key Vocab:

Yr	Objectives	Suggested Activities
EYF S	What is lent?	Lent lesson (to be taught in the week of Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday – at least one piece of work to be put in RE book) What is pancake day? Why do we celebrate it? What is its real name?
1	What is lent?	Lent lesson (to be taught in the week of Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday – at least one piece of work to be put in RE book) What is lent? What would they find difficult to give up for 40 days?
2	What is lent?	Lent lesson (to be taught in the week of Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday – at least one piece of work to be put in RE book) What is lent? Why do people make pancakes? What is the significance?
3	What is the story of lent?	Lent lesson (to be taught in the week of Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday – at least one piece of work to be put in RE book) Learn the story of Jesus in the wilderness and know how this relates to Lent.
4	What is lent?	Lent lesson (to be taught in the week of Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday – at least one piece of work to be put in RE book) Recap story. What did Jesus give up? Why do Christians give something up at Lent? Can children give up something as a class for lent?
5	What is temptation?	Lent lesson (to be taught in the week of Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday – at least one piece of work to be put in RE book) Recap story. How was Jesus tempted? How did he avoid these temptations?
6	How can we resist temptation?	Lent lesson (to be taught in the week of Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday – at least one piece of work to be put in RE book) Recap story. How was Jesus tempted? What temptations do you have to contend with on a daily basis? How do you resist?

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Ramadan:

The big question “What is Ramadan?”

Ramadan - Faith, obedience, patience and dedication.

If you would like to have a first hand account, we have many Muslim staff who would be willing to speak to the children.

See bottom of planning for Eid lesson.

Yr	Objectives	Suggested Activities
EYF S	What is Ramadan? What is patience? Can you show patience?	Explain to chn that Ramadan is a Muslim celebration that shows dedication (brief outline) Chn to do the marshmallow/fruit test (or something else depending on allergies/veggie)
1	What is Ramadan? What is fasting? Why do people fast?	Read the story of Noah's Ark discuss the dedication, obedience and patience that Noah showed to God and the consequences for the others. Why do we have to wait for some things? Discuss how it feels to want something and have to wait for it. How might people feel when they are fasting? Explain fasting at Ramadan
2	What is Ramadan? What is fasting? Why do people fast? What are the consequences of breaking a good promise?	Discuss How do you think you would feel if you couldn't have water and food during daylight hours? Look at the story of Jonah and the Whale and Rama and Sita - What are the consequences of breaking a promise?

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3	What is Ramadan? How do Muslims show good dedication to Allah?	Look at the rituals of Ramadan. What are you dedicated to? How do you show it? (Written activity)
4	What is Ramadan? What religion observes it? How do Muslims show good dedication to Allah? How	Recap of what Ramadan is and the religion that follows it and the ways Muslims show faith during Ramadan. Daniel and the Lion's Den. What does this story tell us? How is patience and dedication rewarded in the story? How is it rewarded to Muslims? (Look at entering paradise in the Muslim faith)
5	What is Ramadan? What religion observes it? How do Muslims show good dedication to Allah? How	What do the children remember about Ramadan? What is dedication? What are you dedicated to? What would you sacrifice for it? Look at the story of Abraham to answer these questions. Compare to Lent
6	What is Ramadan? What religion observes it? How do Muslims show good dedication to Allah? How	Are things better if you wait for them? What do they think happens to them if they die? What do different religions believe? What are the conditions for entering heaven? Do all religions believe in an afterlife? What is reincarnation? What religions believe in this? Compare to Lent
Eid	For ALL year groups To be taught on the day of Eid	Explain the celebration of Eid (Muslim chn may be off on this day) Link to end of Ramadan.

R.E Curriculum Rosh Hashanah:

The big question “ What is the significance of Rosh Hasahanah?”

Celebrations, Judaism, Rosh Hashanah

Yr	Objectives	Suggested Activities
EYF S	N/A	N/A
1	What is Rosh Hashanah?	Read the story – Sammy Spider’s first Rosh Hashanah Chn to know that Rosh Hashanah is Jewish New Year.
2	What is Rosh Hashanah?	Read the story – Sammy Spider’s first Rosh Hashanah Chn to know that Rosh Hashanah is Jewish New Year. Look at the symbolism + food in the celebration.

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Key vocab:

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3	What is Rosh Hashanah?	What does a typical Rosh Hashanah celebration look like for a Jewish family?
4	What is Rosh Hashanah?	Recap Rosh Hashanah Look at the festival of Yom Kippur. Explain to chn that this is the most holy and important festival in the Jewish calendar – atonement and repentance. Look at beliefs on forgiveness and what has to be done to get forgiveness. (Link to forgiveness previous topic)
5	What is Rosh Hashanah?	Recap Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. What would they ask for forgiveness for/atone for?
6	What is Rosh Hashanah?	Recap Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. What would they ask for forgiveness for/atone for? Compare atonement with other religions. Are they asking for forgiveness for the same things? Do humans need forgiveness?