

Co-op Academy Walkden Hive Religious Studies 2022-23

Key Stage 3

In the Hive we follow the mainstream curriculum, this enables students to move into mainstream lessons where possible.

Year Group		INTRODUCTION TOPIC 5 weeks	11 weeks	11 weeks	11 weeks			
	Key Question: This thing called religion what is it all about?							
7	Core Theme	WORLD RELIGIONS TIMELINE	IDENTITY & COMMITMENT	BELIEF ABOUT GOD	STUDY OF BUDDHISM			
	Unit of Work	What do I know about the history of religion?	What does it mean to live as a Christian? How do they live by the 10 commandments? How do Jews and Muslims put their faith into action? Bar/Bat Mitzvah Hajj - Pilgrimage	Who or what is God? What are the arguments for and against the existence of God? What is a Miracle?	What are the key beliefs about Buddhism? How do Buddhists worship? What are the benefits of meditation?			
	Key Question: How do religious beliefs influence individuals' philosophical and ethical choices?							
8	Core Theme	NON-RELIGIOUS BELIEFS	LIFE AFTER DEATH	RELIGION & SPIRITUALITY **	CRIME & PUNISHMENT			
	Unit of Work	What is a Humanist?	What happens to us when we die?	What is spirituality?				



			What do people believe about religious experiences? Christian Theology about life after death Hindu beliefs about life after death	How can we express our spirituality through the arts? NATRE - Spirited Arts project	What are the aims and types of punishment? What is the Christian belief about the 'death penalty'?		
	Key Question: How do religious believers respond to ethical issues?						
9	Core Theme	INTRODUCTION TO PHILOSOPHERS	INSPIRATIONAL RELIGIOUS INDIVIDUALS	EXPLORING THE HOLOCAUST	MEDICAL ETHICS		
	Unit of Work	Who or What is a philosopher?	What have these inspirational religious individuals done to stand up for human rights and injustice? Mother Teresa, Martin Luther King, Desmond Doss & Malala Inspirational religious celebrities/sports personalities	What is Prejudice, Discrimination and Stereotyping? Why did Hitler hate the Jews? What can we learn from the Holocaust? Survivor stories (Anne Frank Trust)	Should religion play a part in medical ethics? When does life begin? When should life end?		

** = Year 8 pupils will study 'Belief about God' (Jan 2022)