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Bishop Ullathorne Catholic School

Religious Education Department

Curriculum Overview Year 7

2026-2027

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Unit title	New Beginnings/ Bishop Ullathorne	Prophecy and Promise	Galilee to Jerusalem	Desert to Garden	To the Ends of the Earth	EOY Exam Eastern Religions (Encounter and Dialogue)
Aims	This unit introduces students to the Catholic identity of Bishop Ullathorne School and explores what it means to belong to our school community. Students will examine the school motto, Mission Statement and prayer before learning about the life of Bishop William Bernard Ullathorne, the challenges he faced and the impact he had on Coventry and the local community. The unit then develops students' understanding of God as Creator, exploring the Catholic belief that the universe and all life are gifts from God. Students will consider humanity's responsibility to care for one another and for creation. Through an introduction to Catholic Social Teaching, they will explore how Christians are called to promote social justice, protect the environment and contribute positively to their communities, living out the values and mission of Bishop Ullathorne School.	This unit explores the Old and New Testaments, focusing on how God reveals Himself throughout biblical history. It discusses the Bible's status as sacred scripture and its diverse literary forms, including poetry and prophecy. In the Catholic tradition, the Bible is seen as infallible and a source of divine truth, essential for personal and communal salvation. For Catholics, the Bible is central to faith, worship, and daily life, particularly in liturgical practices and personal devotion. The Rosary, a prayer involving repeated prayers and meditation on Christ's and the Virgin Mary's life, is a significant practice that fosters reflection and spiritual growth.	This unit explores the identity of Jesus Christ through titles like "Man of God" and "Son of Man," analyzing Old Testament scriptures that highlight their theological significance. We will discuss the Incarnation, emphasizing Jesus as both fully human and fully divine, fostering a unique connection between God and humanity. Lastly, the unit will focus on Jesus as a role model for personal and spiritual life, guiding ethical behavior and deepening one's relationship with God, showcasing his lasting influence in Christianity.	This unit explores the Paschal Mystery, focusing on the significance of Jesus' death and resurrection in our spiritual lives. We will examine the Eucharist as the source and summit of Christian life and its role in expressing faith and community.	We will connect the Old Testament, especially the Passover, with the New Testament's understanding of Jesus as the ultimate sacrifice, showing how He fulfills the Old Covenant. Throughout, we'll investigate these themes in the celebration of the Mass and sacraments, highlighting their importance in our faith journey and the Christian community.	This unit offers an in-depth exploration of the Eastern religions: Hinduism, Sikhism, and Buddhism. Each religion boasts rich traditions and philosophies, contributing to the cultural diversity of the West Midlands. Understanding these faiths is essential to appreciating their contemporary significance. The course is organized thematically around three key areas: core beliefs, worship practices, and significant life events. We will explore concepts such as reincarnation and karma in Hinduism and Sikhism, along with the pursuit of enlightenment in Buddhism. The course will run during summer term 2, featuring about 10 to 14 hours of instruction, allowing students to engage deeply with the material and participate in meaningful discussions.

All individual unit aims, homework, resources, adherence to Curriculum Directory, School Principles, Teaching and Learning Focus are outlined in the individual written Scheme of Work and supported by a lesson powerpoint.

The purpose of this year is to introduce key concepts required for further study in RE in KS3 and KS4. It develops and clarifies key teachings in Catholic Christianity to bring all students in line with expectations.