

ALDER COPPICE PRIMARY SCHOOL UNIT INFORMATION

SUBJECT: RE	YEAR 3	FOCUS: Rituals, Ceremonies and lifestyles and Beliefs and Teachings	SPRING TERM UNIT 3: How is food and fasting important across religions? UNIT 4: Why is the Bible so Important for Christians?
Knowledge Focus	Rituals, Ceremonies and lifestyles Explore the day to day lives and practises		Beliefs and Teachings Understand the key teachings of religions. How Beliefs are expressed <u>The Bible</u> Examine holy texts and explore the expression of beliefs through this means of communication Values and Reflections Explore identity and who we are. To understand the concept of shared values and how a community can use shared values.
<u>Dudley Agreed RE Syllabus KS2</u>	<p>Children Should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extend and deepen their knowledge of Christianity and of a second religion with the intention of ensuring that pupils have knowledge which is reasonably deep and secure. • Have had some engagement with the four other principal religious traditions over the course of Key Stage One and Key Stage Two. • Become familiar with the idea that religious words and actions may be intended to be interpreted metaphorically or may have a symbolic or a non-literal meaning. • Gain a more specific and nuanced understanding of why, beyond a generic explanation, certain religious rituals and ceremonies often have a high status and importance within particular faiths. • Be permitted and encouraged to raise questions which are important to them about the truth and worth of the religious material they learn about. • Be encouraged to express their own views in response to the religious material they learn about and should be encouraged to support their views using relevant reasons which are clear and cogent. 		

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Year 3
Spring 1

How is food and fasting important across religions?

- Food can be used for different purposes, such as celebrations and remembrance. It can be prepared and eaten in a special way.
- Jews, who follow the religion of Judaism, have special food rules; these are called the laws of kosher. The laws of kosher deal with what is fit for Jews to eat.
- Lent is a time in the Christian calendar. It comes just before Easter and lasts for around six weeks. During Lent, Christians often abstain from something, such as a favourite food or drink. Some Christians might fast during the day.
- Each year, Muslims who are able to, fast during Ramadan, the ninth month of the Islamic calendar.



Year 3
Spring 2

Why is the Bible so important to Christians today?

- The Bible is a sacred book for Christians. It is not written by one author, but rather it is a collection of 66 different books within one volume.
- Many Christians believe the Bible is the 'inspired' word of God. Christians go to the Bible for guidance and help with everyday life.

