KS1 Expectations (Oxfordshire Agreed Syllabus)

Throughout key stage 1, pupils explore key questions through conceptual enquiry into Christianity whilst also drawing from at least one of Hinduism, Islam or Judaism, as well as non-religious worldviews as appropriate. Teachers should also take the pupils' own background, experiences and questions into consideration. They learn about different beliefs about God and the world around them. They encounter and respond to a range of stories, artefacts and other religious materials. They learn to recognise that beliefs are expressed in a variety of ways, and begin to use specialist vocabulary. They begin to understand the importance and value of religion and belief, especially for other children and their families. Pupils ask relevant questions and develop a sense of wonder about the world, using their imaginations. They talk about what is important to them and others, valuing themselves, reflecting on their own feelings and experiences and developing a sense of belonging.

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Big Question	Creation: Who made the world?	Incarnation: Why does Christmas matter to Christians?	Does praying at regular intervals help a Muslim in his/her everyday life?	Salvation: Why does Easter matter to Christians?	Does going to a Mosque give Muslims a sense of belonging?	Does completing Hajj make a person a better Muslim?
Faith	Christianity	Christianity	Islam	Christianity	Islam	Islam
Key Concepts	God created the universe. • The Earth and everything in it are important to God. • God has a unique relationship with human beings.	Christians believe that Jesus is God and that he was born as a baby in Bethlehem. • The Bible points out that his birth showed he was extraordinary	Explain what commitment means to us and to Muslims by knowing that Muslims pray five times a day.	Easter is very important in the 'big story' of the Bible. Jesus showed that he was willing to forgive all people, even for putting him on the cross. • Christians	Understand why Muslims visit the mosque and explore whether this gives them a sense of belonging.	Understand what happens during Hajj and to explore the importance of this to Muslims.

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	care for the	is worshipped as	builds a bridge		
	world because it	a king, in	between God and		
	belongs to God.	Matthew) and	humans.		
		that he came to	 Christians 		
		bring good news	believe Jesus		
		(for example, to	rose again, giving		
		the poor, in	people hope of a		
		Luke).	new life.		
		 Christians 			
		celebrate Jesus'			
		birth; Advent for			
		Christians is a			
		time of getting			
		ready for Jesus'			
		coming.			
Visits/Speakers				Mosque	
Church Visits	Harvest Service	Christmas	Easter Service		
		Service			