Class **9- Explorer Curriculum** – RS/2 Lessons weekly

Year	2025 – 2026 Autumn 1	2025 – 2026 Autumn 2	2025 – 2026 Spring 1	2025 – 2026 Spring 2	2025 – 2026 Summer 1	2025 – 2026 Summer 2
	Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4	Unit 5	Unit 6
Year 9	Topic: 6238 Religious Festivals and celebrations	Topic: 6238 Religious Festivals and celebrations	Topic: 6237 Places of worship	Topic 6237 Places of worship	Topic: 6239 Ceremonies of life and death	Topic: 6239 Ceremonies of life and death
WJEC 6005 A3/C3/D3 Aw = 9 Cer = 17 Dip = 38	Being reflective and self critical.	Remembering roots. Being loyal and steadfast.	Participating and willing to lead.	Being regardful of suffering. Being silent developing a sense for the sacred.	Being temperate and exercising self discipline and cultivating serene contentment.	Creating Unity and Harmony.
	Key Questions:	Key Questions:	Key Questions:	Key Questions:	Key Questions:	Key Questions:
	Key skills and knowledge: 1. Know the background to religious festivals. • AC1.1 Identify two religious festivals. • AC1.2 Outline the story behind the religious festivals. 2. Know how religious festivals are celebrated. • AC2.1 Outline religious aspects of the celebration of the religious festivals. • AC2.2 Outline social aspects of the celebration of the religious festivals.	Key skills and knowledge: 2. Know how religious festivals are celebrated. • AC2.1 Outline religious aspects of the celebration of the religious festivals. • AC2.2 Outline social aspects of the celebration of the religious festivals. 3. Know the importance of religious festivals. • AC3.1 Give reasons why the religious festivals are important to believers.	Key skills and knowledge: 1. Know what religious features are found in places of worship. • AC1.1 Outline features found in two places of worship which are used in worship. • AC1.2 Outline how certain religious features are used in worship. 2. Understand why places of worship are important to believers and the wider community. • AC2.1 Give reasons why certain religious features found in places of worship	Key skills and knowledge: 3. Understand what is considered appropriate behaviour in places of worship. • AC3.1 Outline appropriate behaviour in each place of worship. • AC3.2 Give reasons why this behaviour is expected in each place of worship. * Visits to places of worship.	Key skills and knowledge: 1. Know how religious ceremonies are performed. • AC1.1 Outline features of religious ceremonies. • AC1.2 Outline the main people involved in religious ceremonies. 2. Understand why religious ceremonies are practised and the religious significance of the features involved. • AC2.1 Give reasons why religious ceremonies take place. • AC2.2 Outline the religious	Key skills and knowledge: 2. Understand why religious ceremonies are practised and the religious significance of the features involved. • AC2.1 Give reasons why religious ceremonies take place. • AC2.2 Outline the religious significance of the features involved in religious ceremonies. 3. Understand the importance of religious ceremonies to believers and nonbelievers. • AC3.1 Give reasons why religious ceremonies are

Curriculum intent (overview) – To deepen students' skills and knowledge through a broad and balanced curriculum which prepares students for adulthood.									
		AC3.2 Give reasons why the religious festivals are important to the wider community.	are important to believers. • AC2.2 Give reasons why the buildings used as places of worship are important to believers. • AC2.3 Give reasons why places of worship are important to the wider community.		significance of the features involved in religious ceremonies.	important to a believer. • AC3.2 Give reasons why non-believers also take part in these ceremonies.			
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