



Ethical Studies Curriculum Plan Overview

Year 7				
Term	Topic	Learning	How can parents' best support	Key Vocabulary
Autumn 1	The importance of ethical studies Introduction to festivals.	Introduction to Ethical studies and what religion is. Study festivals from different religions such as Harvest, Sukkot, Divali, international women's day .	Talk about festivals and how they are celebrated.	Celebrate, festival, worship, pray.
Assessment:				
Autumn 2	Festivals	Study festivals from different religions such as Christmas, winter festival in humanism, Eid, Hanukkah.	Talk about festivals and how they are celebrated with a focus on Hannukah, Eid, Christmas.	Christmas, Eid, Hanukkah, winter festival .
Assessment:				
Spring 1	Places of Worship and Poverty	What is poverty? The cost of running places of worship versus their benefits to believers. Charity.	Discuss the value of places of worship. Discuss charity and giving to others. Visit a place of worship if it is part of normal routine.	Cost and benefit of Churches and Mosques.
Assessment:				
Spring 2	Jesus Easter and Holy Week	Who is Jesus? Visual representation. Jesus and women . Easter.	Discuss images of Jesus. Celebrate Easter at home if appropriate. Watch and discuss programmes about Easter over the holidays.	Death, resurrection, afterlife, judgement, heaven and hell, sin, salvation, Easter , Good Friday, Easter Sunday. Women.
Assessment:				
Summer 1	Christian teachings on rules and behaviour	What is the difference between right and wrong-ethical decisions. Christian rules and guidance such as the 10 Commandments. .	Discuss the difference between right and wrong and how we behave affects others.	Right, wrong, decision, ethical, 10 Commandments.
Assessment:				
Summer 2	Religion expressed in Art	Look at a range of religious artwork including artefacts from a range of religions. What is being portrayed and why? Trip to Walker Art Gallery – Jesus through Art. How did Jesus care for others?	Notice and talk about religious artwork in daily lives – stained glass windows, artefacts which may be in the home. Talk about how we can care for others.	Jesus, Trinity, son of God, salvation.