Year 8 – Religion and Worldviews										
Curriculum intent	In Year 8, the Religion & Worldviews curriculum is designed to build on the foundation of knowledge of the six main world religions. Students will focus on Islam and Christianity in depth and develop a robust understanding of what it means to be a Christian or Muslim in modern Britain. These two religions, plus Humanism, reflect the spiritual culture of Tameside. The curriculum draws on the themes of the locally agreed syllabus to examine the benefits and challenges of faith in society. In the Summer term, students will use their understanding of religion to approach the question of punishment, examining both religious and non-religious views on the nature of punishment in society.									
Term	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2				
Knowledge	Is it hard to be a Muslim? • Who was Muhammad? • Sunni vs Shi'a Islam. • Sources of Authority (Qur'an) • Islam in the home.	Is it hard to be a Muslim? Is worship difficult? Is Hajj difficult? Is Ramadan difficult? Is Zakah difficult? Challenges to modern British Muslims.	 Why is Christianity so popular? Nature of Christianity What are the denominations? Heaven Christmas The Bible 	 Why is Christianity so popular? Evangelism Holy Trinity Miracles Parable of the Good Samaritan Jesus 	Is punishment a religious idea? • Reasons for punishment • Nature of Capital punishment • Religious attitudes to second chances • Stan Tookie Williams	Is punishment a religious idea? Non-religious attitudes. Religious attitudes. Amnesty International.				
Skills	 Critical thinking Analysis & evaluation Development of local national and global citizenship. Extended writing 	 Critical thinking Analysis & evaluation Development of local national and global citizenship. Extended writing 	 Critical thinking Analysis & evaluation Development of local national and global citizenship. Extended writing 	 Critical thinking Analysis & evaluation Development of local national and global citizenship. Extended writing 	 Critical thinking Analysis & evaluation Development of local national and global citizenship. Extended writing 	 Critical thinking Analysis & evaluation Development of local national and global citizenship. Extended writing 				
Assessments	Knowledge recall assessment.	Written Assessment: "Being a Muslim is easy." Discuss.	Knowledge recall assessment.	Written Assessment: "Is Britain Christian?"	Knowledge recall assessment.	Written Assessment: "The death penalty should be brought back to the UK"				
Curiosity	Books: The Religions Book: Big Ideas Simply	Books: The Religions Book: Big Ideas Simply	Books: The Religions Book: Big Ideas Simply	Books: The Religions Book: Big Ideas Simply	Books: The Religions Book: Big Ideas Simply	Books: The Religions Book: Big Ideas Simply				

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