

- The Merton syllabus states:
- During the Foundation Stage, pupils take a thematic approach drawing on Christianity and the faiths of pupils represented in the classroom.
- In Key Stage 1, pupils study Christianity and Islam as well as examples, experiences and stories or other faith traditions or belief traditions.
- In Key Stage 2, pupils study Christianity plus Islam, Judaism and Hinduism as well as examples, experiences and stories of other faith traditions or belief traditions.

Christianity	Judaism	Islam	Sanatana Dharma	Buddhism	Sikhi	Bahai	Humanism	Ethical Veganism
Age Group	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2		
Ages 3-4	What makes people special to me and others? Christianity, Judaism	What is Christmas to me and others? Christianity concept: Incarnation	How do I and other people celebrate? Sanatana Dharma, Mixed Worldviews	What is Easter to me and others? Christianity concept: Salvation	What can I and other people learn from stories? Christianity, Islam, Sanatana Dharma, Sikhi	What makes places special to me and others? Christianity, Islam, Judaism		
Ages 4-5	What makes people special? Christianity, Judaism	What is Christmas? Christianity concept: Incarnation	Celebrations Sanatana Dharma, Mixed Worldviews	What is Easter? Christianity concept: Salvation	What can we learn from stories? Christianity, Islam, Sanatana Dharma, Sikhi	What makes places special? Christianity, Islam, Judaism		
Links to Merton syllabus	We are Special.	Special Times / Our Wonderful World.	Special Times / Our Wonderful World.	Special Times / Special Things.	Special Stories.	Special Places.		
Ages 5-6 YEAR 1	What do Christians believe about God?	What gifts might Christians in my town have given Jesus if he	Who is God to Muslims? 5-7, Islam, Enquiry 1	Why was Jesus welcomed like a king or celebrity by the	How important is the prophet Muhammad to	How important is the Qur'an to Muslims? 5-7, Islam, Enquiry 3		

	5-7, Christianity, Autumn 1	had been born here rather than in Bethlehem? 5-7, Christianity, Autumn 2		crowds on Palm Sunday? 5-7, Christianity, Spring 2	Muslims? 5-7, Islam, Enquiry 2	
Links to Merton syllabus	Christian Faith and Values / Creation.	The Church / Christian Festivals.	Islam 1 and 2.	The Church / Christian Festivals.	Islam 1 and 2.	Sacred Writings.
Ages 6-7 YEAR 2	Is it possible to be kind to everyone all of the time? 6-7, Christianity, Autumn 1	Why do Christians believe God gave Jesus to the world? 6-7, Christianity, Autumn 2	Who is God to Sanatanis? 5-7, Sanatana Dharma, Enquiry 1	How important is it to Christians that Jesus came back to life after his crucifixion? 6-7, Christianity, Spring 2	What might Sanatanis learn from the story of Rama and Sita and the celebrations of Diwali? 5-7, Sanatana Dharma, Enquiry 2	Why do Sanatanis use symbols? 5-7, Sanatana Dharma, Enquiry 3
Links to Merton syllabus	Christian Faith and Values / Creation.	The Christian Bible 1 And 2.	God and Sacred Writings.	The Church / Christian Festivals.	Worship, Celebrations and Values.	Symbols in Religions.
Ages 7-8 YEAR 3	Does praying at regular intervals help Muslims in their everyday lives? 7-9, Islam, Enquiry 1	Has Christmas lost its true meaning? 7-8, Christianity, Autumn 2	Could Jesus heal people? Did He perform miracles or was there some other explanation? 7-8, Christianity, Spring 1	What is 'good' about Good Friday? 7-8, Christianity, Spring 2	Does completing a pilgrimage make a person a better Muslim? 7-9, Islam, Enquiry 2	What is the best way for a Muslim to lead a good life? 7-9, Islam, Enquiry 3
Links to Merton syllabus	Worship, Festivals and Practices.	Jesus: His Early Life and Teaching.	Jesus: His Later Life and Passion.	The Church, Worship, Festivals and Practices.	Belonging And Identity, Symbols in Religions, Faith and The Arts.	Belonging And Identity, Symbols in Religions, Faith and The Arts.
Ages 8-9 YEAR 4	What motivates Humanists to lead good lives? 7-9, Humanism, Enquiry 1	What is the most significant part of the nativity story for Christians today? 8-9, Christianity, Autumn 2	How do Jewish beliefs, teachings and stories impact on daily life? 7-9, Judaism, Enquiry 2	Is forgiveness always possible for Christians? 8-9, Christianity, Spring 2	How does celebrating Shavuot help Jewish children feel closer to God? 7-9, Judaism, Enquiry 3	Do people need to go to Church to show they are a Christian? 8-9, Christianity, Summer 2

Links to Merton syllabus	Belonging and Identity.	The Christian Bible: Contents and Structure.	Symbols in Religions.	The Christian Way of Life 1 And 2.	What is Faith and What Difference Does It Make?	The Church, Worship, Festivals and Practices.
Ages 9-10 YEAR 5	What is the best way for a Sanatani to show commitment to God? 9-12, Sanatana Dharma, Enquiry 1	Is the Christmas story true? 9-10, Christianity, Autumn 2	How can Brahman be everywhere and in everything? 9-12, Sanatana Dharma, Enquiry 2	Why are there four Gospels and how are they relevant for Christians? 8-9, Christianity, Optional	Do beliefs in Karma Samsara and Moksha help Sanatanis lead good lives? 9-12, Sanatana Dharma, Enquiry 3	What is the best way for a Christian to show commitment to God? 9-10, Christianity, Summer 2
Links to Merton syllabus	What is Faith and What Difference Does It Make?	Jesus: His Early Life and Teaching.	God and Sacred Writings.	The Bible as The Holy Book of Christians.	Birth Rites Marriage Rites Death and Loss.	Belonging And Identity.
Ages 10-11 YEAR 6	How do inspirational people impact on how Humanists live today? 9-12, Humanism, Enquiry 1	Does belief in the Trinity help Christians make better sense of God as a whole? 9-10, Christianity, Optional	Is anything ever eternal? 10-11, Christianity, Spring 1	Is Christianity still a strong religion over 2000 years after Jesus was on Earth? 10-11, Christianity, Spring 2	What is the best way for a Muslim to show commitment to God? 9-12, Islam, Enquiry 1	How is the Qur'an vital to Muslims today? 9-12, Islam, Enquiry 2
Links to Merton syllabus	Belonging and Identity.	Creation and God.	What is Faith and What Difference Does It Make?	Christian Denominations.	Beliefs and Teachings.	What is Faith and What Difference Does It Make?

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