## **Progression in RE**

## **KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING**

Knowledge and Understanding of specific religious and non-religious worldviews will become deeper, more complex and more comprehensive across the year groups and key stages. This will include the use of specialised vocabulary and making connections between concepts. Knowledge and Understanding of similarities and differences between and within religious and non-religious worldviews will become increasingly sophisticated.

Early Years	Key Stage 1 (by age 7)	Lower Key Stage 2 (by age 9)	Upper Key Stage2 (by age 11)
Know some similarities and differences	Pupils will: Have simple knowledge of	Pupils will: Be able to describe some of	Pupils will: Have more detailed
between different religious and cultural	some of the beliefs, teaching / stories	the beliefs, teachings and expressions of	knowledge and understanding of the
communities in this country, drawing on	and practices of specific religions	beliefs within the religions studied and	concepts (beliefs, teachings, sources of
their experiences and what has been	studied, using simple technical	how these have an impact for	authority, expressions of belief and the
read in class.	vocabulary. Have simple knowledge of	individuals and communities. Begin to	impact of beliefs on the lives of
	why these beliefs and practices may be	form a framework of connections	individuals and communities) across
	important to people. Have simple	between these concepts by making	several religious and nonreligious
	knowledge of some of the similarities	some links between them. Identify	worldviews. Have more detailed
	and differences between and within the	some patterns between or within	knowledge and understanding of how
	religious and non-religious worldviews	religions and non-religious worldviews	these concepts connect to form a
	they learn about.	by comparing similarities and	framework for understanding religious
		differences.	and non-religious worldviews.
			Have knowledge of the diversity of
			religious and non-religious worldviews
			in the local, national and global context,
			and show understanding of similarities
			and differences between them.

## **CRITICAL THINKING**

Critical Thinking requires pupils to become increasingly sophisticated in analysing and evaluating questions raised by religious and non-religious worldviews, their beliefs, practices and their significance and influence. This involves working with increasingly complex information and types of evidence. It includes understanding that there are differing perspectives about the complex questions and issues which relate to beliefs and ways of living in our world today. Critical Thinking involves grappling with the controversial nature of religious and non-religious worldviews.

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Early Years	Key Stage 1 (by age 7)	Lower Key Stage 2 (by age 9)	Upper Key Stage2 (by age 11)
Listen attentively and respond to what	In response to the material they learn	In response to the material they learn	In response to the material they learn
they hear with relevant questions,	about, pupils can raise questions,	about, pupils can raise questions,	about, pupils can raise controversial
comments and actions when being read	express their opinions and back them up	express their opinions and support	questions, express their opinions and
to and during whole class discussions	with simple reasons.	these with plausible reasons. They	use sound reasons to back these up.
and small group interactions.		recognise that others may think	Pupils show appreciation of different
		differently and have different opinions.	perspectives, recognising the reasons
Make comments about what they have		Plausible = reasonable or probable	given to support these viewpoints (see
heard and ask questions to clarify their		without necessarily being so, persuasive	both sides of an argument). Sound =
understanding.			reliable, competent.
Offer explanations for why things might			
happen, making use of recently			
introduced vocabulary from stories,			
non-fiction, rhymes and poems when			
appropriate.			

## **PERSONAL REFLECTION**

Personal reflection (personal evaluation) develops pupils' ability to reflect on religious and non-religious worldviews in relation to their own beliefs, values and experiences and the influence of these on their daily life, attitudes and actions. Personal evaluation is introspective, subjective and private. Pupils can make personal progress through reflection, empathy, developing respect and appreciation of others but this is not assessed by teachers. Personal Reflection in Religious Education makes a significant contribution to pupils' spiritual, moral, social and cultural development.

Early Years	Key Stage 1 (by age 7)	Lower Key Stage 2 (by age 9)	Upper Key Stage2 (by age 11)
Pupils are given time to reflect on	Pupils are given time to reflect on		Pupils are given time to reflect on
religious and non-religious worldviews.			