What your child will be learning...

Reception

Which people are special and why? What times are special and why? What stories are special and why? Where do we belong? What places are special and why? What is special about our world and why?

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Year 1	Year 2
What can we learn from creation stories?	• How do the stories of Jesus inspire Christians
What festivals do different religions celebrate?	today?
• Who is a Christian and what do they believe?	• Who influences our lives?
(First half of unit)	• Who is a Muslim and what do they believe?
 How do religions celebrate the birth of a baby? 	(First half of term)
What ways are a church/mosque etc. important	• What do Christians do at Easter and why is it
to believers? (mosque focus)	important to them?
• Who is a Christian and what do they believe?	• Who is a Muslim and what do they believe?
(Second half of unit)	(Second half of term)
Year 3	What ways are a church/mosque etc. important
	to believers? (church focus)
What do religions teach about the natural world	Year 4
and why we should care about it?	What does it mean to be Jewish? (First half of
• What does it mean to be a Hindu? (First half of	unit)
unit)	• Where, how and why do people worship?
• Why is Jesus important to Christians?	• Who should inspire us?
• Why do religious people celebrate?	What does it mean to be Jewish? (Second half of
 What does it mean to be a Hindu? (Second half 	unit)
of unit)	 How and why do religious believers show their
• How do people express their faiths through the	commitments during the journey of life?
arts?	What matters most to Humanists and
Year 5	Christians?
What do different people believe about God?	Year 6
• What does it mean to be a Muslim?	What does it mean to be a Sikh?
 Why is prayer important for religious believers? 	What does it mean to be a sixthWhat do religions say to us when life gets hard?
• What does it mean to be a Christian?	 What do religions say to us when me gets hard? Why do people make vows and commitments to
 Justice and poverty: Can religions help to build a 	one another?
fair world?	What will make our city/town/borough a more
Why are sources of wisdom important to	respectful place?

people?



Religious Education at Mayespark



We may have different religions, different languages, different coloured skin, but we all belong to one human race Kofi Anan

RE in Redbridge

Religious Education (RE) is part of the curriculum that all schools must provide for pupils aged 4 - 18. In contrast to other subjects in the curriculum, where there are national programmes of study, the programme for RE in each Local Authority (LA) is locally agreed. The document in which each LA sets out the RE programme for its schools is called a 'local agreed syllabus for religious education'. For more details please read the summary on our website.

The importance of RE

Mayespark Primary is made up of staff and pupils who are linked with many parts of the world and faith groups, or who have no recognised faith group. As a school we aim to celebrate this diversity and offer a welcoming and inclusive environment for all our pupils, including those who have recently come to our area and those for whom English is a second language. We believe that Religious Education (R.E.) provides an opportunity to celebrate and foster awareness of these differences within our school and the wider world. It is a subject that celebrates diversity and challenges stereotypes. Please log onto **My School App** to see all the great work we have been doing at Mayespark to celebrate religions.

How will the children be learning?

At Mayespark we want children to gain a deeper understanding of RE through:

- Exploring religious artefacts
- Talking and listening to external visitors of different faiths
- Children and staff sharing their knowledge
- Class assemblies
- Collective worship



How can you help your child?

- Help them to research topics using the internet
- Go to the local library to use books for research
- Talk about your own experiences and encourage your children to share their thoughts and beliefs in school
- Ask questions about what they are learning
- Ask them to explain how the topics they are learning relate to their own life

