Timescale	Autumn	Spring	Summer 1 and 2	Summer 2
Prior Learning (from KS2/3)	Basic knowledge from KS2 studies of world religions. Comparing monotheism and polytheism (Yr 7 Aut 1)	Basic knowledge from KS2 studies of world religions. Comparing monotheism and polytheism (Yr 7 Aut 1), links to Buddhism	Basic knowledge from KS2 studies of world religions. Comparing monotheism and polytheism (Yr 7 Aut 1), links to Buddhism and Sikhism	Comparing different polytheistic religions (all of Year 8).
Unit Title	Buddhism (6)	Sikhism (6)	Hinduism (6)	Polytheism (4)
Key knowledge (5-10 points)	 What is Buddhism? The Life of the Buddha Four Noble Truths The Eightfold Path Prayer/Meditation The significance of the Dalai Lama 	 What is Sikhism? The Khalsa The Life of Guru Nanak The Guru Granth Sahib The Gurdwara The Golden Temple The Five Ks Formal Assessment (with questions on Buddhism too) 	 What is Hinduism? Hindu temples and The different Hindu gods The Ramayana 	 Native American beliefs (especially the Sioux and Apache) Key beliefs of a polytheistic religion Different gods and attributes in polytheistic religions Common polytheistic parables and customs Assessment - presentation
Key skills	 Understanding/applying religious scripture Evaluate a range of different arguments. To understand the different concepts of God 	 Explaining a range of significant beliefs and practices in Sikhism Compare/contrast to other religions 	 Evaluate a range of significant beliefs and practices in Hinduism Compare/contrast different beliefs/practices in Hinduism. Research and presentation skills 	 Explaining a range of significant beliefs and practices in a polytheistic religion of their choice Compare/contrast to other religions Research and presentation skills (including online)
Key terminology	Buddha, Dhammachakra, Dhamma, Nirvana, Eightfold Path, Noble Truths. polytheism.	Guru, equality, honesty, respect, Guru Granth Sahib, Gurdwara, Khalsa, reincarnation.	Ramayana, reincarnation, Holi, Divali, Durga Puga, Brahman, Karma, Brahma, Vishnu, and Shiva	Polytheistic , Different key terminology dependant on which religion is being studied.
Assessment (methods to assess)	Key terminology, short answer knowledge retrieval, extended writing answers. (Formal assessment with Sikhism at end of Spring term)	Key terminology, short answer knowledge retrieval, extended answers (Formal assessment with questions linked to Buddhism as well)	Key terminology, short answer knowledge retrieval, Formal end of Unit Assessment including extended written answers. (Hindu Gods)	Research and formal presentation assessed by teacher and peers (Presentation of findings)
Links to other units in KS3/4	Monotheistic religions in Year 7, polytheistic religions in Year 8. Links to Hinduism and Sikhism	Monotheistic religions in Year 7, polytheistic religions in Year 8. Links to Hinduism and Buddhism	Monotheistic religions in Year 7, polytheistic religions in Year 8. Links to Buddhism and Sikhism	Links to other polytheistic religions (Yr 8)