

Religious Studies (Year 8)

	Initial – a student who is still initial will be able to partially meet some of the following with support:	Emerging – a student whose understanding is still emerging will be able to:	Developing – a student whose understanding is developing will also be able to:	Secure – a student whose understanding is secure will also be able to:	Advanced – a student whose understanding is advanced will be able to do some of the following:	Mastered – a student who has mastered their understanding will be able to do all of the following consistently:
Knowing about and understanding religions and world views	Describe religions and world views, connecting people’s beliefs and practices.	Outline religious ideas and practices, linking different viewpoints and considering the thoughts, feelings, experiences, attitudes, beliefs and values of others.	Explain the impact of and the connections between people’s beliefs and practices.	Appreciate and appraise different understandings of religion and world views. Analyse arguments justifying perspectives.		
Expressing and communicating ideas related to religions and world views	Give thoughtful responses to questions that arise, using different forms of expression in RE.	Express an idea or belief using clear examples. Begin to distinguish between the features of different religions and/or beliefs.	Explain diverse ideas and viewpoints clearly and in different ways/types of work.	Express insights into questions, giving coherent accounts of beliefs and ideas. Begin to synthesise their learning.		
Gaining and deploying the skills needed for studying religions and world views	Discuss questions about religious ideas in a small group. Listen respectfully to another point of view. Comment on it.	Apply ideas about religions and world views thoughtfully. Begin to make an association between religion/belief and individuals, and the communities that they belong to.	Investigate and explain why religions and world views matter. Gather information from a variety of sources.	Enquire into and interpret ideas, sources and arguments. Use the skills of religious studies to begin to research ultimate questions.		