RE Definitions

Year 3	Word	Definition
Autumn Exploring living by rules.	**Tier 2**	
	Morality	How much something is either right or wrong.
	Belief	The feeling of believing something is true.
	Rules	Things that tell you how something should be done.
	Morals	A set of standards for good or bad behaviour.
	Sacred	Something that is holy and respected.
	Believers	A person who has religious beliefs and follows a certain religion.
	Tier 3	
	Buddhism	A widespread religion from India that focuses on personal improvement.
	The Eightfold Path	The path to Nirvana through eight practises.
	Christianity	A religion based on God and the teachings of Jesus Christ.
	Commandments	Ten important Christian rules to follow from the Bible.
	Pillars of Islam	Five rules for Muslims to live by to be a good Muslim.
	Sikhism	A religion based on the teachings of Guru Nanak and one God.
	Five K's	The five items that Sikhs always need to wear. • Kesh (uncut hair) • Kara (a steel bracelet) • Kanga (a wooden comb) • Kaccha – also spelt, Kachh, Kachera (cotton underwear) • Kirpan (steel sword)
	Tier 2	
Religion in The home.	Community	A group who live in the same place or have a strong link in common with each other.
	Faith	A complete trust in someone or something.

	Customs	Something that many people do, and have done for a long time.
	Practices	The application of an idea or a belief.
	Faith	A complete trust in someone or something.
	Believers	A person who has religious beliefs and follows a certain religion.
	Tier 3	
	Hinduism	A religion with many different gods that also teaches reincarnation.
	Hindus	People who believe in Hinduism.
	Puja	A Hindu prayer ritual performed in the morning to honour a god.
	Worship	To show and give respect to God.
	Aum	A sacred sound and symbol, which is also chanted by Hindus.
	Prashad	A blessed food which is eaten after worship by Hindus and Sikhs.
	Holy Shrine	A place in Hinduism where gods or goddesses are worshiped.
	Kum Kum powder	A powder made from tumeric that is used as a religious marker in India.
	Diva Lamp	A small lamp usually made from clay and filled with oil or a candle which is lit during Diwali.
	Mandir	A Hindu temple.
Spring Symbols of worship.	**Tier 2**	
	Symbols	Signs, shapes or objects that represent something else.
	Love	Liking something or someone with a great interest or affection.
	Peace	Freedom from war and violence.
	Justice	Fairness in the way that people are treated.
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	Christians	A person who belongs to the religion of Christianity.

	Bible	The holy book of Christianity containing the Old and New Testaments.
	Commandments	Ten important Christian rules to follow from the Bible.
	Symbolise	Signs, shapes or objects that represent something else.
	Wedding	A marriage ceremony in which two people join together before God.
	Vows	Promises made to a partner as part of a marriage ceremony.
	Church	A building for Christian worship and activities.
	Hinduism	A religion with many different gods that also teaches reincarnation.
	Mehndi	Henna designs on the hands, usually for a wedding.
	Sangeet	A Hindu ceremony held before a marriage for the bride to be and her female friends and relatives.
	Safa	Hindu word for purity or cleanliness.
	Mandap	A covered platform set up to be used in Hindi weddings for the main ceremony.
	Mangala	The Hindu god of war and also the Hindu name for planet Mars.
	Saptapadi	The most important part of a Hindu marriage ceremony. The married couple take seven steps around a fire.
	Tier 2	
	Community	A group who live in the same place or have a strong link in common with each other.
	Tradition	A belief or way of acting that people in a group have followed for a long time.
	Culture	The way of life of a group of people, including their customs and beliefs.
	Occasions	A certain time when a special event happens.
Sharing special food.	**Tier 3**	
	Worship	To show and give respect to God.
	Easter	Christian holiday to celebrate Jesus being reborn after he died.
	Pesach	A Jewish celebration remembering their escape from Egypt, also known as Passover.
	Judaism	Jewish religion based on the teachings in the Torah and the belief in one God.

	Jewish	People who follow the religion of Judaism.
	Moses	The most important prophet (teacher) in Judaism.
	Torah	The first five books of the Jewish Bible that looks at the laws of God.
	Passover	A Jewish celebration remembering their escape from Egypt, also known as Pesach.
	Seder	A Jewish ritual and meal on the first one or two nights of Passover.
	Hebrew	The language of the Jewish people.
	Beitzah	A roasted egg, which isn't eaten, but instead used in Passover as a symbol of sacrifice.
	Karpas	A vegetable eaten at Passover symbolising hope.
	Chazeret	A symbolic bitter herb eaten by Jews at Passover, symbolising slavery.
	Charoset	A sweet brown mixture eaten at Passover symbolising the houses and buildings made by Jewish slaves in Egypt.
	Matzot	A special bread that is made in three
	Zeroah	Eaten at Passover, usually chicken and symbolising the sacrificial lamb offered at Jewish Temple.
Summer The beginning of the world.	**Tier 2**	
	Spirituality	Deep religious feelings and beliefs.
	Values	How important an idea, something or someone is to somebody else.
	Creation	The act of creating something, or the thing that is created.
	Earth	The world and all the people, places and things on it.
	Creator	Someone who makes something new, in Christianity, God
	Tier 3	
	God	The being that in some religions made the universe and effects all things.
	Christians	People who belong to the religion of Christianity.
	Bible	The holy book of Christianity containing the Old and New Testaments.
	Hindu	People who believe in Hinduism.
	Brahma	The Hindu god of creation and the first Hindu god.

Religious Leaders.	Vishnu	The Hindu preserver god, he keeps the universe going and protects it from being destroyed.
	Lotus Flower	A symbol in Hinduism and other religions of purity and rebirth.
	Tier 2	
	Faith	A complete trust in someone or something.
	Faith Leaders	People with authority and power in different religions.
	Temptation	Wanting to do something, especially something wrong or unwise.
	Rejection	Refusing to do or believe something.
	Tier 3	
	Baptism	A Christian ceremony in which water is poured over the head to show that the person has become a member of the Church.
	Jesus	The Son of God, according to Christians.