

Summer Tasks: Religious Studies

During the first term in the Religious Studies department we will be exploring a range of ideas about what makes us unique and different from others. We'll also explore some of the BIG questions in Religious Studies and will teach you how to think philosophically and objectively when discussing our ideas.

In preparation for this, we suggest the following activities.

Suggested tasks:

Complete the World Religions Grid.

- Ensure you know some of the basics before we explore various world religions and their ideas **by completing the research *World Religions Grid*** (the grid will be in this folder). Use *BBC Religion and Ethics* to support you in your research.

Explore some of the Big Questions of religion in these 4 very short video-clips:

- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/religious-education-ks3-a-z-of-religion-and-beliefs-c-is-for-creation-stories/zvfp382>
- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/religious-education-ks3-a-z-of-religion-and-beliefs-d-is-for-darwin-charles-theory-evolution/zmqdmfr>
- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/religious-education-ks3-a-z-of-religion-and-beliefs-u-is-for-uncertainty/z7qv47h>
- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/religious-education-ks3-a-z-of-religion-and-beliefs-h-is-for-heaven-hell-other-afterlives/zrfp382>
- Simply watch each one and ask yourself the question: **where do people get their different beliefs from; what can we know with certainty?**

Optional Extra

Find out what some religions have been doing to support communities in the Coronavirus lock-down period:

- These video clips will help you get started.
- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/av/uk-52966810/coronavirus-the-sikh-community-kitchen-feeding-thousands>
- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/av/uk-england-berkshire-52230511/coronavirus-berkshire-pensioner-helping-sikhs-in-isolation>
- **Can you find 1 or 2 more of your own examples?**

Perhaps you would like to research what Buddhists or Hindus or Muslims, or Christians or Jews have been doing to reach-out to their communities during this stressful period.