In accordance with the new KS3 United Learning Curriculum for RS it is compulsory that Judaism and Christianity are taught in Y7. The teaching of the two faiths from both a beliefs and practices perspective provides students with a foundation platform to build on throughout the years as they study RS at SCA. Students will be expected to apply their knowledge and understanding of what it means to be Jewish and argue what the most significant aspect of being Jewish is, from a range of perspectives, as well as reaching a justified conclusion of their own. Understanding what it means to be Jewish will lead to an increase in tolerance, acceptance and respect for the Jewish local and wider community.

Topics covered within the Y7 Judaism module:

- 1- What do Jews believe?
- 2- What are the Jewish scriptures?
- 3- Orthodox and Reform Judaism
- 4- The Temple and Synagogues
- 5- What is Shabbat?
- 6- What are Pesach and Yom Kippur?

Assessment:

Students in Y7 will continue to be assessed using both formative and summative methods. The Academy wide 'Big Write' programme will assess students' knowledge and understanding and develop students' critical evaluation skills. Students will also be assessed via the United Learning mid-year and end of year assessments. The 'Big Write' question that students will be asked is: 'visiting the Synagogue is the most important aspect of being a Jew' evaluate.

Topics covered within the Y7 Christianity module:

- 1- The Nativity
- 2- Jesus' ministry
- 3- The Death and resurrection of Jesus
- 4- The Council of Nicaea- Nicene Creed
- 5- Saint Augustine- Original Sin
- 6- Christianity today

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Useful resources for supporting your child at home:

- Y7 RS Knowledge Organiser Knowledge Organisers (salfordcity-academy.org)
- Seneca Learning Seneca Learn 2x Faster (senecalearning.com)
- BBC Bitesize- KS3 Religious Studies Religious Studies BBC Bitesize
- BBC Teach Videos Free primary and secondary school teaching resources BBC Teach
- Oak National Academy- KS3 Religious Studies Religious Education lessons for Key Stage 3 students Oak National Academy (thenational.academy)
- Trips to local religious sites: places of worship, cathedrals, monasteries, museums