

Key Stage 4 'My Community' Teaching and Learning Framework

The teaching of 'My Community' is a combination of history, geography, citizenship and Religious Education. It will take place within the context of other curriculum areas in addition to a discrete 'My Community' lesson each week. Learning may be linked to the topic or story the pupils are studying that half term, with opportunities to make connections across the curriculum. It will provide the pupils with opportunities to reinforce learning in other areas such as communication, reading, writing, maths and science.

The 'My Community' curriculum aims to provide opportunities for students to be curious about their community, country and world. Students will develop their understanding of the landscape of the world and how it can change, with a particular focus on gaining life skills specific to this area of learning. These include learning how to make observations, ask questions, understanding chronology, understanding bias and developing empathy. Students will develop understanding of climate change and how this impacts on our environment and human life as well as understanding their responsibility to look after and understand the physical and human world in which they live. The Religious Education curriculum follows the recommendations in the Local Agreed Syllabus 'Believing and Belonging'. In addition to the curriculum below, we have an Enrichment curriculum that compliments the pupils' RE curriculum as well as key learning around British Values, Safeguarding and Social Moral Spiritual and Cultural (SMSC).

Pupils will develop their sense of belonging to their community by learning about the religions in their community, learning about the past and the physical and human landscape in the world around them. They will explore how their world has changed over time and they will visit different locations, ensuring that they develop a sense of confidence and safety in different locations.



We have a three year curriculum, allowing opportunities for pupils to revisit and build on prior learning. As our focus is on teaching life skills linked to this subject, we will monitor progress through their EHCP outcomes and in English. Pupils with PMLD and SLD will follow a separate 'My Community' curriculum that is appropriate for their needs.

	Cycle One						
Autumn 1			Autumn 2				
Wartime Refugees			How much choice do v	ve have and how do w	e make the best choices?		
Encountering	Developing	Enhancing	Encountering	Developing	Enhancing		
 Pupils will learn to sequence events. Pupils will be able to identify objects that are important to them and understand that this can be different for different people. 	Pupils will recap the wars that they are aware of, both past and present, and how they have displaced or caused fear among civilians,	Pupils will learn about Britain's role in the world within the context of supporting refugees and countries from which refugees flee.	 Pupils will be able to make choices using an appropriate communication method. Pupils will take part in decision making in their school eg in school council elections 	 Pupils will identify the characters in the book they are reading and identify the choices they had and the lack of choices. Pupils will identify the 	Pupils will learn about the key elements of the constitution of the United Kingdom, including the power of the government, the role of citizens and Parliament in holding those in power to account, and the different		



- Pupils will be able to identify people who are special to them.
- Pupils will learn what is safe and unsafe.
- leading them to be refugees.
- Pupils will recap what a refugee is.
- Pupils will identify countries of the world from where refugees have fled using maps and atlases.
- Pupils will use sources of evidence to explore how refugees are treated when they come into a country.
- Pupils will explore challenges faced by refugees and

 Pupils will understand that they have rights that are protected. choices they have in their own lives.

- Pupils will explore the choices different people have in different countries and cultures.
- Pupils will explore ways of making decisions and identifying choices.
- Pupils will learn about how some choices are protected by law and where there is no choice due to laws e.g. attending school.

roles of the executive, legislature and judiciary



by the countries to which refugees flee. Pupils will explore their own responsibilities in supporting refugees who come to England, including the Human Rights Act.	Pupils with about he British democration system of us to che who gove the count and locate. Pupils with consider choices provided the count of the	tic Illows Jose Jerns Je



				some countries and the impact of these restrictions on the civilians of those countries.	
	Spring 1			Spring 2	
	The Legal System		Wh	y do people resort to vio	lence?
Encountering	Developing	Enhancing	Encountering	Developing	Enhancing
 Pupils will begin to learn how they can be represented. Pupils will understand that they have rights that are protected. Pupils will be able to identify 	 Pupils will understand what we me by 'a right'. Pupils will learn about the Universal Declaration of Human rights and when it was written. 	Pupils will explore how different groups of people have used the law and courts to support their freedoms.	 Pupils will understand the importance of kind hands and kind feet. Pupils will understand that hitting and kicking others hurts them. 	 Pupils will explore their own answers to the above question. Pupils will identify times in the news or in the past when people have resorted 	Pupils will carry out their own individual research in order to answer this question.



key people who
can help them eg
a teacher, police
officer.

- Pupils will learn about the Human Rights Act 1998.
- Pupils will learn how the legal system in the UK and how anyone, regardless of financial position, should have representation in a court.
- Pupils will learn about the charities and organisations that exist to support people understand their rights eg Citizens Advice,

- Pupils will learn the importance of saying sorry when they have made a mistake.
- to violence and explore reasons for this.
- Pupils will learn about leaders who have been proactive in denouncing violence eg Martin Luther King, Gandhi and why these movements were successful.
- Pupils will
 explore reasons
 why some
 people do not
 feel that
 peaceful
 means are
 successful.
 Pupils will
 explore what
 different
 religious



	Amnesty International, NSPCC			groups teach about the use of violence.	
	Summer 1			Sun	nmer 2
How Can	we make the World a Fa	iirer place?		British Monarchs	
Encountering	Developing	Enhancing	Encountering	Developing	Enhancing
 Pupils will begin to understand what we mean by sharing. Pupils will take part in 'acts of kindness' and view the responses of others. 	 Pupils will explore the definition of 'fair' Pupils will explore different religious views of fairness. Pupils will identify what they think is 	 Pupils will consider, analyse and evaluate a range of approaches to fairness. 	 Pupils will be able to identify King Charles. Pupils will be able to identify the key objects associated with a King or Queen. Pupils will explore the clothing and objects worn and 	 Pupils will learn about the changes in power and authority from the past and now. Pupils will know the names of key monarchs past and present. 	Pupils will learn about other systems and forms of government, both democratic and nondemocratic, beyond the United KIngdom.



fair and unfair in the world. Pupils will explore different ideas around making things fair eg education for all, sharing wealth. Pupils will consider what their opinions are of how we can make the world fair. Pupils will learn about the systems and processes in place in our country to ensure fairness happens eg courts, appeals
processes,



	Cycle Two						
Autumn 1				Autumn 2			
Parlia	ment and the Monarc	h	What can we	find out about the wide rain	bow of faiths?		
Encountering	Developing	Enhancing	Encountering	Developing	Enhancing		
 Pupils will be able to take part in democratic processes within the school community, for example through the school council. Pupils will be able to make choices between 	 Pupils will develop an understanding of the role of the monarch in the UK now and the role of Parliament. Pupils will consider the advantages and 	Pupils will learn about local, regional and international governance and the UK's relations with the rest of Europe, the Commonwealth, the United Nations and the wider world.	 Pupils will visit a range of religious buildings and begin to understand that they are special places. Pupils will explore the symbol.s associated with each faith. 	 Pupils will explore their own answers to the above question. Pupils will ask questions about different religious and non- religious views and identify ways in which they can find the answers. 	 Pupils will identify their own area of research and independently ask questions, find answers and consider their own personal responses They will be able to articulate their personal opinions and ideas clearly 		





	Stereotypes		Celebrations i	n each Faith and their place in c	our community
Encountering	Developing	Enhancing	Encountering	Developing	Enhancing
 Pupils will be able to identify a picture of themselves and important people to them. Pupils will be able to identify a key person due to their uniform. Pupils will be exposed to different genders for different roles Pupils will be able to identify their own personal features. 	 Pupils will be able to understand and use the term stereotype. Pupils will be able to identify some common stereotypes and why they exist. Pupils will be able to make considered and informed personal responses. Pupils will be able to explore ways in which 	• Pupils will learn about the diverse national regional, religious, sexual, gender and ethnic identities in the United Kingdom and the need for mutual respect and understan ding.	 Pupils will take part in the celebrations of the faiths that take place during this half term. Pupils will be able to associate a celebration to a religion. 	 Pupils will identify the faiths they have learnt about and the key celebrations for each faith. Pupils will compare and contrast celebrations from different religions and their roots. Pupils will explore ways in which celebrations may have stemmed from a religion but have now become more cultural. Pupils will explore the impact of celebrating different faiths on society. 	Pupils will investigate and evaluate diverse patterns of worship and ceremonies shown in denominations, sects or other communities expressing faith and belief.



	stereotyping can be challenged within our society.				
	Summer 1			Summer 2	
Use	of Energy in Society			Research– Charities	
Encountering	Developing	Enhancing	Encountering	Developing	Enhancing
 Pupils will be able to identify the wind, the sun, and the rain as different weather types. Pupils will begin to learn which materials can be recycled Pupils will learn that litter is bad 	 Pupils will recap the different sources of energy we have access to in the UK. Pupils will recap the environmental challenges we face in the present day as a result of our 	Pupils will explore ways in which different religions teach about caring for the environme nt,	Pupils will take part in a fundraising event linked to one charity.	 Pupils will research a charity of their choice. They will explore its origins, how it works, who it helps and how it raises funds. Pupils will make well-informed and reasoned arguments about the importance of charities in today's society. Pupils will research the impact of their chosen charity on society. 	Pupils will learn about the different ways in which a citizen can contribute to the improvement of his or her community



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environment.	fuels for		
Pupils will	energy.		
explore different	Pupils will be		
things they can	able to make		
do to look after	well informed		
the environment.	personal		
	opinions		
	about how we		
	should use		
	energy in our		
	society.		
	Pupils will		
	learn about		
	how other		
	countries use		
	energy and		
	make		
	comparisons		
	with the use of		
	energy in the		
	UK.		
	Pupils will be		
	able to		
	identify ways		
	in which their		
	personal		



picture.

Cycle Three					
Autumn 1				Autumn 2	
What does Ramadan mean to Muslims? What does fasting mean in different faiths?				How are Quakers Distir	nctive?
Encountering	Developing	Enhancing	Encountering	Developing	Enhancing
 Pupils will understand what we mean by being hungry. Pupils will be able to identify the foods they like and dislike. Pupils will experience sharing food. 	 Pupils will consider their own answers to the above question. Pupils will learn about why Muslims observe Ramadan and why they fast. 	Pupils will analyse different forms of spirituality and worship found in different religions and other world views.	 Pupils will take part in acts of kindness and observe the responses of others. Pupils will take part in celebrating their own and 	 Pupils will learn who George Fox was and how the Quaker movement started. Pupils will learn the key teachings and principles of the 	 Pupils will analyse the similarities and differencesbetween Quakers and other religions, providing supporting evidence for their ideas. Pupils will reflect on the idea of Quaker being a 'society of friends' rather than a



•	Pupils will take
	part in time for
	quiet reflection.

- Pupils will learn that fasting during Ramadan is about self control and reflection.
- Pupils will learn about how fasting is observed in other religions, such as Christians during Lent and Jewish people during Passover.
- Pupils will analyse how fasting is observed in different religions and how the approaches differ.

- others' achievements.
- Pupils will take turns when communicating.
- Pupils will take part in reflection techniques eg listening to calming music, being quiet, yoga.

Quaker movement.

- Pupils will learn how Quakers supported equality, particularly women's rights and the abolition of slavery.
- Pupils will explore why George Fox was imprisoned and express their personal thoughts on this.
- Pupils will explore what is meant by 'The Religious society of Friends'.

religion and draw their personal conclusions.



Spring 1				Spring 2	
How do People Find the Truth?				d Contrast different religi	
Encountering	Developing	Enhancing	Encountering	Developing	Enhancing
 Pupils will begin to use the term/symbols for true and false. Pupils will be able to identify key people in their lives who they can trust and who will help them. Pupils will be able to identify activities or foods that they like and dislike and begin to use these terms. 	 Pupils will explore their personal response to the above question, taking into consideration what they are taught in school, told by their parents, read on the internet, find out from friends etc. Pupils will analyse the reliability of 	 Pupils will show detailed knowledge of a range of perspectives, sources and decisions. Pupils will explain evidence coherently, providing a range of examples. Pupils will raise and evaluate critical questions. 	 Pupils will learn the meaning of dead and alive. Pupils will understand that living things, including humans, live and die. Pupils will understand what 'sad' means and some of the things that make them sad. Pupils will begin to explore the life stages of 	 Pupils will explore what their own experiences of death have been. Pupils will research ideas about death from religious and non-religious groups. Pupils will begin to understand that different people respond differently to grief and therefore need 	 Pupils will independently research views on death from religious and non- religions groups. They will clearly analyse different arguments, providing supporting evidence for their conclusions. Pupils will draw reasoned conclusions and reflect on their own ideas.



their sources for the truth. Pupils will analyse the teaching of different religious and non- religious groups around truth and draw their own conclusions. Pupils will explore the meaning of 'free press' in the United Kingdom- what that means, is it always the whole truth? Pupils will explore the impact of not having free	animals including humans	different types of support. • Pupils will reflect on their personal conclusions around death.	



	press in a country and how civilians of those countries find the truth. • Pupils will understand and use the terms bias, prejudice, freedom of speech.				
	Summer 1			Summer 2	
Wider World- Global Inequalities		Are People free to follow their own beliefs today?			
Encountering	Developing	Enhancing	Encountering	Developing	Enhancing
 Pupils will learn the meaning of key terms 'the same' and different'. 	 Pupils will identify what is meant by 'Inequality'. Pupils will explore the 	 Pupils will analyse different arguments clearly, with 	 Pupils will be able to make choices between two options of interest to them. 	Pupils will explore their own answers to the above question.	 Pupils will independently research the answer to the above question. Pupils will learn to analyse different



- Pupils will explore the meaning of fair and unfair.
- Pupils will understand that money is used in exchange for items in a shop.
- Pupils will begin to understand that we cannot take something without asking
- Pupils will understand the meaning of consent
- Pupils will begin to learn how people feel when they experience unfairness

- inequalities that they are aware of, through the literature they have read and their personal experiences.
- Pupils will learn that the main areas of inequalities in the world are gender, wealth, employment, health and education.
- Pupils will explore the impact of these inequalities and which populations are most affected by

supporting evidence.

Pupils will

- independently research one inequality in the world, drawing reasoned conclusions and reflecting on their own personal conclusions.
- Pupils will learn about the different ways in which a citizen can contribute to the improvement of his or her community.
- Pupils will learn how public money

- Pupils will be able to say which they like and dislike.
- Pupils will begin to understand the meaning of consent.
- Pupils will explore how to seek and give consent
- Pupils will
 analyse the
 ways in which
 different
 religious and
 non- religious
 groups follow
 their own
 beliefs.
- Pupils will research what our human rights are and how they protect us.
- Pupils will identify times when people may not feel free to follow their own beliefs.
- Pupils will explore the importance of mutual respect and

- arguments and use supporting evidence for their ideas.
- Pupils will draw reasoned conclusions and reflect on their personal conclusions.



	this. They will locate countries affected by inequalities on a world map. Pupils will begin to understand what we mean by public money and what this is spent on. Pupils will begin to understand how public money is raised.	is raised and spent.		understanding in order to ensure people feel safe.	
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