CORE RE SOW 2025-2026

Religious Education is the "core of the core curriculum" in a Catholic school (Pope St John PaulII).

Branches	Suggested Sessions
Creation and Covenant	 The pursuit of Happiness. (What makes us happy, how do we know, what do we mean by happiness, interacting with others) Faith and Science. Taking Care of the Planet (CAFOD group) Making Ethical Choice
Prophecy and Promise	 The nature and existence of God (Why do people believe, arguments for and against—do people try to make God in their own image?) Revealed Religion. (The use of sources and their relevance, how they affect behaviour) Religious Experience (Types of experience, can it be evaluated is it real?)
Galilee to Jerusalem	 Who is Jesus? (Historical figure, evidence, an exploration of his role in different faith groups) The Kingdom of God (How faith groups envisage God's reign, is it desirable or possible in today's world?) 13 Miracles (What is a miracle- past and present, purpose, the need to believe, sickness and healing)
Desert to Garden	 Suffering and Response (Why do people suffer, types of suffering, is it compatible with belief, how do faith groups respond?) Reconciliation. (An exploration of forgiveness, and the need for reconciliation- this could also include theories of punishment, peace, and Justice) Temptation. (How religions portray this, in today's world, the role of advertising, structural temptation) Relationships, Gender, sex, and science (forming good relationships, what does gender mean today, marriage, the input of faith, the link between procreation and sex)
To the Ends of the earth	 The role of religion in today's world. (A force for good or evil? Should religions become involved in politics? Can missionary activity be justified? Life, death and what comes next? Salvation (Do we need to be saved- from what, for what, differing views) Living in Hope