

# Religious Education Knowledge Organiser – Year 5

## Thematic Unit

## What matters most to Humanists and Christians?

### Key Vocabulary

<b>code for living</b>	A set of principles someone follows when deciding how to behave
<b>Christian</b>	Someone who follows the faith of Christianity and follows the code for living found in the Bible that they believe is given by God
<b>Humanist</b>	A non-religious person who follows the non-religious worldview of Humanism and has a code for living based on man-made ideas.
<b>values</b>	Important and lasting beliefs or ideals shared by a group of people about what is desirable or undesirable
<b>commandments</b>	A set of rules given by God or a 'divine rule'
<b>rules</b>	A set of man-made principles or ideas about the right or wrong way to do something which are expected to be followed
<b>guidelines</b>	A set of man-made principles or ideas about the right or wrong way to do something which are helpful for someone to decide what is right and wrong for themselves
<b>The Golden Rule</b>	The idea that you should treat other people as you would like to be treated

### Key Questions and Golden Nuggets

Do rules matter? What is a code for living?	When people behave badly, we must be measuring them against some kind of code for living. We must have a measure of what is good and bad behaviour breaks this code.
Can you be good without God?	Religious people place importance on the impact of God on their behaviour and codes for living from Holy Books. Non-religious people may argue that you can be good without God but may still need a code for living that comes from somewhere else.
What codes for living do non-religious people use?	One group of non-religious people call themselves Humanists. They have three key principles that they hold to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be Honest</li> <li>• Use your mind</li> <li>• Do to other people what you would like them to do to you</li> </ul>
What codes for living do Christians try to follow?	The Christian code for living comes from the Bible and includes the 10 commandments. When asked about the greatest commandment, Jesus taught that it is 'to love God and to love others as yourself.' He explained this principle through the parable of the Good Samaritan.
Can one value be more important than another?	Some values may seem to conflict with each other in different circumstances. Having a code for living can be helpful in these circumstances as it may make clear which value to follow. A code for living can be difficult if the code values both of the conflicting ideas.



Our School Values are rooted in Biblical theology because we go to a Church of England school. They are values Christians believe in because they are demonstrated throughout the Bible.



What are your own personal values? Trust? Generosity? Integrity? Honesty? Your personal values will impact the way you choose to behave throughout your life.



How do we show our school values? Are they part of our code for living at Netherton CE Primary?

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Be open minded and be willing to alter your beliefs with new evidence.

Strive to understand what is most likely to be true, not to believe what you wish to be true.

The scientific method is the most reliable way of understanding the natural world.

Every person has the right to control over their body.

God is not necessary to be a good person or to live a full and meaningful life.

Be mindful of the consequences of all your actions and recognise that you must take responsibility for them.

Treat others as you would want them to treat you and can reasonably expect them to want to be treated. Think about their perspective.

We have the responsibility to consider others including future generations.

There is no one right way to live.

Leave the world a better place than you found it.

Here are some rules suggested by Humanists.



Humanists do not believe in a god. They believe it is possible to live a good and fulfilling life without following a traditional religion.

They do not follow a holy book either. Instead, Humanists value traits like reason and rely on science to explain the way things are.

Humanists believe that people have one life to live - there is no afterlife. As a result they focus on being happy and making the most of their life. They also believe they have a duty to support others.

Humanists do not have a regular place of worship. They do, however, hold talks, lectures and discussion groups all around the country.

Humanist also have ceremonies, celebrations or special occasions. Many Humanists hold naming

I'm a non-religious person but I'm not a Humanist. Not all non-religious people are Humanists.



Christians learn about a code for living from Jesus when he taught about the story of the Good Samaritan.

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Jesus taught that people should love God and also love their neighbour as themselves. Christians believe that if they love God they will follow his commandments to love each other and to show forgiveness because they have already been forgiven by God.

