

Midfield Primary School – Knowledge Organiser

RE Focus	Islam – Akhirah (Life after death)	Year 6	Summer 1 and 2
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What? (Key Knowledge)		Attainment Targets	
Akhirah	Is the term used in Islam to describe the belief in everlasting life after death. Muslims regard life on Earth as a test from Allah, to prepare them for eternal life.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I can explain how belief in Akhirah influences decisions made by Muslims. I can recognise what motivates me to live a good life and link this to Muslim beliefs around the afterlife. I can express my opinion about Jihad and how it is interpreted by Muslims and non-Muslims. 	
Janna (heaven) and Jahannam (hell)	In Islam, Heaven or Paradise is known as Janna. In the Qur'an, Janna is regarded as a place of bliss, reward and pleasure for eternity. Muslims believe that people will be reunited with their families in Janna (<i>if Allah deems them to have lived a good life and followed the 5 pillars of Islam</i>) Jahannam is a place of eternal punishment. Hell is often described as a place of fire for those who have lived an evil life and not believed in Allah.		
Judgement Day	Muslims believe that on a day decided by Allah, life on Earth will come to an end. On this day all the people who have ever lived will be raised from the dead and will face judgement by Allah. This day is known by several names: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Day of Resurrection (<i>Yawm al-Qiyamah</i>) The Day of Judgement (<i>Yawm al-Din</i>) The Last Hour (<i>as-sa'a</i>) Allah will balance the good deeds a person has done in their life against the bad deeds.		
Key Questions			
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Does belief in Akhirah help Muslims to lead good lives?</u> Is belief in the afterlife a reason to live a good life? What do you think being 'righteous' means to Muslims? Are there any occasions where not fulfilling the 5 pillars should be allowed by Allah How has the Muslim term <i>Jihad</i> been represented in the media? 	
What? (Key vocab)			
		Spelling	Definition
		Jihad	Struggle or effort
		Greater Jihad	The spiritual struggle or effort of every Muslim to follow the teachings of Allah in their own lives e.g. overcoming anger, greed, pride, working for social justice.
		Prophet Muhammad (pbuh)	The last and most important prophet of Islam.
		Ummah	An Arabic word meaning "community".
Possible experiences			
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Outdoor Learning</u> - Role play of scenarios for others to make moral judgements upon. Chalk out a Diamond 9 for leading a good life. 	
Holy War (Military Jihad)	Some Muslims interpret this as meaning, not just a personal struggle inside themselves, but a struggle involving fighting or Holy war (a military Jihad), a struggle to protect the freedom of Muslims to practice their faith or to protect Muslims against attack. The Qur'an makes it clear that Muslims may fight in self-defence but must not start a fight or a war.		