

KS5 Curriculum Overview

Subject Area: Religious Education

Description of KS5 Curriculum:

At Key Stage 5 students follow the OCR Religious Studies A Level specification. Students study three components; Philosophy of Religion, Religious Ethics and Developments in Christian Thought. Students study philosophical and ethical questions raised by religion and belief. The course allows for the exploration of religious beliefs, values, teachings and practices that shape religious identity, as well as sources of wisdom and authority.

Sequence of teaching:

KS5	TERM 1	TERM 2	TERM 3
	Content	Content	Content
Year 12	Philosophy; this component explores philosophical issues and questions raised by religion and belief: Ancient Philosophical influences. Soul, mind and body Arguments based on observation Arguments based on reason Religious experience The problem of evil	Ethics; this component gives learners the opportunity to study key concepts related to religion and ethics; Natural law Situation ethics Kantian ethics Utilitarianism	Euthanasia Business ethics Developments in Christian thought; learners will have the opportunity to undertake a systematic study of key concepts of Christian thought; Augustine's teaching on Human Nature Death and the afterlife Knowledge of God's existence The person of Jesus Christ
Year 13	Christian moral principles Christian moral action Religious pluralism and theology Religious pluralism and society Gender; society and theology The challenge of secularism Liberation theology	The nature or attributes of God Religious language; negative, analogical or symbolic Religious language; 21 st century perspectives	Meta ethics