

GCSE Religious Studies

All students will follow the OCR GCSE Short Course 'Philosophy and Ethics' for two lesson a week over one year. This course is an in-depth study of philosophy and ethics through Christian perspectives. The topics studied are:

- Good & Evil
- Science & Religion
- Religion and Human Relationships
- Religion , Poverty and Wealth

Assessment for the short course is by 2 x 1 hour examinations at the end of Year 11.

If you opt to study the full GCSE in Religious Studies, you will have extra timetabled lessons to cover the following topics:

- **Religion and Equality**

Explore Christianity views about issues such as equality, racism, gender and forgiveness alongside sharing your own opinions

- **Religion, Peace and Justice**

Think about different attitudes to war, as well as ideas about crime and punishment

- **The Nature of Deity (God)**

Find out why people believe in God and discuss your own views about what God is e.g., does God exist?

- **End of Life**

Consider different beliefs about life after death and why religious people think it is important

Assessment for the full GCSE is by 4 x 1 hour examinations, each worth 25% of the final mark.

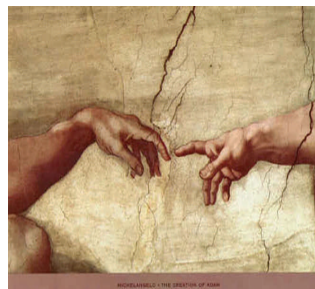
Why should I do the full course?

- To understand the world around you better (history, politics etc)
- To understand and get along with other people better
- To have an opportunity to consider the 'big' questions
- To get information to help you make a decision about your own beliefs
- It is relevant

Finally... we have had *outstanding* results year after year, with all our pupils getting high grade passes in the summer, most of these have been 'A's and 'A*'s.



Religious Studies is all about people. It allows pupils to consider how different beliefs have shaped individuals, families, communities and cultures. A qualification in the subject is therefore relevant to any job which involves working with and understanding people. Careers include Advice, Charity and social worker, Librarian, Teacher, and many more.



"I decided to choose the Full Course as I wanted to achieve a GCSE and wanted to widen my knowledge about Christianity. I find the topics interesting and there are more topics with the full course. The people on the course all want to do well and enjoy the subject"

Please see Mrs Gaughan for more information



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