#### **RELIGIOUS STUDIES**

All students have the opportunity to study GCSE religious studies as an interesting and engaging option subject.

### Which syllabus is used?

We use the Eduqas syllabus (C120P3). Past papers and other valuable resources are available from the Eduqas website.

#### What topics are studied?

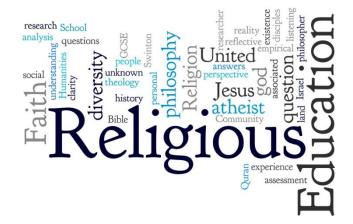
Highly engaging topics are studied such as:

- Euthanasia;
- Abortion;
- Human Rights and religion;
- Family;
- Racism.

# What teaching and learning methods are used?

- Discussion and debates;
- Research;
- Essay writing skills.





## What skills can religious studies give you?

- Tolerance and understanding;
- Enhance your discussion and debate skills;
- Critical thinking skills essential in many careers;
- Construct logically founded, balanced arguments, so that you can win balanced arguments;
- Be able to have a deeper understanding of world issues including moral and social topics such as the media, medical ethics and belief.

Religious studies can be used as a great asset on your CV as it shows you have great awareness for those from all cultural and religious backgrounds, an understanding and respect towards people in different situations and the ability to discuss, debate and argue in both verbal and written work.

This subject is a full course GCSE and is 100% exam based, which comprises of three papers. Please find the break-down of the course and weighting below.

Paper 1 (50%)	Paper 2 (25%)	Paper 3 (25%)
Religious, philosophical and ethical studies in the modern world	Christianity	Islam
<ul> <li>Issues of relationships</li> <li>Issues of life and death</li> <li>Issues of good and evil</li> <li>Issues of human rights</li> </ul>	Beliefs, teachings & practices	Beliefs, teachings & practices
Exam duration: <b>2hours</b>	Exam duration: <b>1hour</b>	Exam duration: <b>1hour</b>