

# YEAR 10 & 11 COURSES

Subject Philosophy & Ethics (Religious Studies)

Course Level GCSE Examining Body AQA

# What will I be studying?

#### Component 1

Religions, Beliefs, Teachings & Practices (With reference to Christianity & one other Major World Religion)

- 1. Key Beliefs
- 2. Worship and Festivals
- 3. Ethical Teachings
- 4. The Role of Religions in the Local and Worldwide Community

### Component 2

Religious, Philosophical and Ethical Studies (With reference to Christianity and one other Major World Religion)

- 1. Relationships and Families
- 2. Religion and Life
- 3. The Existence of God and Revelation
- 4. Religion, Crime and Punishment

# What skills will I develop?

- An enquiring, critical and reflective approach to the study of religion and philosophy
- An understanding of religions and beliefs
- An ability to reflect on and develop values, beliefs and attitudes, linked to life in a pluralistic society and global community
- Evaluation skills relating to philosophical and ethical issues, and the ability to express views using reasoned arguments
- Through an introduction to aspects of the Philosophy of Religion, students will reflect upon ultimate questions about the meaning and purpose of life, and develop their own reasoned responses to those questions

## How will the course be structured?

## Year 10

- Religions, Beliefs, Teachings & Practices: Sections 1, 2 and 3
- Religious, Philosophical & Ethical Studies: Sections 1 & 2

#### Year 11

- Religions, Beliefs, Teachings & Practices: Section 4
- Religious, Philosophical & Ethical Studies: Sections 3 & 4
- Revision & Exam Technique

## How will I be assessed?

#### Exam

100% to include two exam papers of one hour and 45-minutes each

In each exam, candidates answer four structured fivepart questions worth 1, 2, 4, 5 & 12 marks

An additional 3 marks are awarded for spelling, punctuation and grammar, total 99 (96+3)

There is no controlled assessment or coursework for GCSE Religious Studies

If you have any further questions about taking this course, who should you speak to?

- 1. Your RE Teacher
- 2. Head of Religious Education Mr Burchell
- 3. Head of Social Science Ms Merrigan