

Curriculum maps with Christian beliefs and spiritual development opportunities and school ethos links

Subject: Edexcel Religious Studies A Level

Year: 12 and 13

Topics and links	Autumn term		Spring term			Summer term	
Year 12	Introduction to the Course		Philosophy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nature of religious experience (cont) The Problem of Evil and Suffering 	Ethics A study of three ethical theories (cont) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Situation Ethics Natural Moral Law Application of ethical theory <ul style="list-style-type: none"> War and Peace 	Christianity Religious beliefs, values and teachings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The nature of God as personal and as creator The Trinity The Nature of the Church 	Christianity Religious beliefs, values and teachings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Key moral principles The Bible The nature an role of Jesus The diversity of practice in the Eucharist The diversity of practice in creative expressions of religious identity 	Ethics Application of ethical theory (cont) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sexual Ethics
	Philosophy Philosophical Issues and Questions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Design Argument Cosmological Argument Ontological Argument The Nature of Religious Experience 	Ethics Significant concepts in issues or debates in religion and ethics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Ethics Equality A study of three ethical theories <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Utilitarianism 					
Year 13	Philosophy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Religious Language Works of Scholars <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Context to critiques of religious beliefs and 	Ethics Ethical Language <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meta Ethics The relationship between religion and morality The works of scholars	Philosophy Influences of developments in religious belief (cont) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Relationship between mind and body 	Ethics The works of scholars (cont) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aristotelian Virtue Ethics Medical Ethics: beginning and end of life issues	Christianity Social and historical developments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Science Secularisation New movements in theology 	Christianity, revision and final examinations Religion and society <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pluralism and diversity Equality and discrimination - gender 	

	<p>points for discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comparison between a critique of religion (Russell) and a believer (Coplestone) <p>Influences of developments in religious belief</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Views about life after death across a range of traditions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kantian Deontology 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Religion ad Science debates 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Status of the embryo • Assisted dying and ethical debates 	<p>Works of scholars</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Atonement theory • Work of Karl Barth and John Hick-atonement theory 	
<p>Links to Sexey's Seven, Christian beliefs and spiritual development opportunities</p>	<p>Respect to acknowledge difference and show empathy with others that might not agree with your own view. To act with kindness to those that may challenge your opinion and viewpoint To act with resilience when topics are challenging. To show forgiveness if you are upset or hurt by, for example, a comment in a discussion. To be honest you find work challenging or feel overwhelmed with learning and show courage to seek support when needed. To show empathy when discussing matters of faith or talking with peers that have differing views to one's own.</p>					
<p>Sexey's seven</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Courage: To be brave even when things are difficult. 2. Forgiveness: To not hold something against another person, to not hold grudges, to move on. 3. Honesty: To always tell the truth. 4. Kindness: To put someone else before yourself, to do something that may make someone's day or life better. 5. Respect: Treating others as we would want to be treated ourselves. 6. Empathy: To understand how another person may be feeling. 7. Resilience: An inner strength that means you keep trying and don't give up. 					