

Religious Education Department

Welcome to the Religious Studies Department

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Religious Education is one of the Core subjects studied by all our young people across the 3 Key Stages. We are blessed to have a team of highly experienced specialists with a wealth of teaching and life experiences.

Our young people will be encouraged to develop as theologians, philosophers and ethicists throughout their learning journey. They will also be challenged to reflect upon and develop their own faith and spirituality, as well as exploring the faith of others. We strive for excellence in all we do and aim to enable our young people to develop academically, spiritually and morally. At the heart of the Religious Education Department is our school motto 'Learning together in Christ', which fuels our curriculum and our passion for all that we do.

We hope that you will find the information here useful. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the department.

Key Stage 3

Our young people in Key Stage 3 follow the 'People of God' scheme of learning. This Scheme allows our young people to investigate who God is, joys and challenges they may face on their faith journey and how they are called to serve God. The Scheme allows pupils to fulfill the requirements of the Curriculum Directory set by the Bishops of England and Wales. Pupils develop their understanding of forgiveness and fairness, as well as exploring world religions such as Hinduism, Islam and Judaism. Pupils also have regular visits to the school Chapel for experiential RE activities and worship. All of this will in turn allow our young people to have the skills needed for success at KS4 and beyond.

Key Stage 4

Our young people in Key Stage 4 study the WJEC GCSE exploring Catholic Christianity and Judaism. Within both of these units they will explore core beliefs of Catholicism and Judaism as well as exploring issues surrounding life & death, good and evil, human rights and relationships. All of this with the view to develop ethical informed citizens who can use evidence in forming views and engage with contemporary issues based upon their knowledge, beliefs and values.

Key Stage 5

Our young people in Key Stage 5 study WJEC Philosophy, Ethics and Christianity. This course allows the young people the opportunity to undertake a broad in-depth study of four fundamental religious themes within the context of Philosophy, Ethics and Christianity.

General RE

All of our sixth form are entitled to General RE. The course is designed to encourage our young people to think spiritually, morally and theologically and fulfills the requirements of the Curriculum Directory. We want our young people to share their gifts and talents and aspire to change the world for the better. Students participate in a range of activities including visits and opportunities to put their faith into action. All classes will have the opportunity to develop their spirituality and their relationship with God and consider their role in the world in which they live. Students will have regular opportunities for reflection, worship and meditations both in the classroom and in Our Chapel. Our School Chaplain is also available to support our young people.

