



## KS3 Curriculum Overview

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### Year 7

During Year 7 students...

#### Autumn Term

Learn about different world religions as well as other worldviews. They then focus on rule systems within these religions, including looking at rule systems within Christianity, Islam and Buddhism

#### Spring Term

Learn about different rites of passage in world religions and worldviews, including looking at baptism in Christianity, naming ceremonies in Humanism, Brit Milah and Bar Mitzvah in Judaism

#### Summer Term

Learn about festivals and Holy Books within different world religions. They look at Passover, Easter and Vesak as examples of Festivals, before moving on to look at the Bible, the Torah and the Guru Granth Sahib as Holy Books

### Year 8

During Year 8 students...

#### Autumn Term

Learn about different aspects of Prejudice and Discrimination, first by looking at examples of it in society, then exploring different aspects of prejudice and discrimination in religions. They look at the Caste System, Anti-Semitism, and attitudes towards prejudice and discrimination in Christianity and Buddhism

#### Spring Term

Learn about the Environment, first by considering what issues are facing the environment then by looking at religious perspectives on the environment. They look at Christian, Hindu and Jain perspective, as well as exploring Humanist perspectives.

#### Summer Term

Learn about War and Peace, looking at Christianity and the Just War Theory, Islam and Jihad and pacifism and terrorism. They look at causes of conflict and different religious reactions to it.

### Year 9

During Year 9 students...

#### Autumn Term

Learn about different aspects of Crime and Punishment, including definitions of crime and what different punishments are used. They then explore different themes within Crime and Punishment, looking at what is evil, attitudes to punishment and the death penalty.

#### Spring Term

Learn about the philosophy of religion. They will discuss different arguments for the creation of the universe, and encounter the views of people including Thomas Aquinas, Charles Darwin and Rene Descartes.



### Summer Term

Learn and debate different ethical issues, including discussions about what is ethics, Utilitarianism, Nietzsche and the Holocaust.