

Course Information - RE

GCSE Religious Studies is a core, compulsory subject for Year 9, 10 and 11 students at Holy Family School, where we follow the Eduqas Route B specification.

GCSE Religious Studies gives you the opportunity to explore the biggest questions in life and to discover religion in the modern world. The course is important because it is about you, your life, and your position in our diverse UK society. As a community, it helps us to remove the ignorance that causes prejudice, hatred and violence around us. It provides you with the opportunity to explore religious and moral beliefs in a safe environment so that you can become sure of your own point of view and explain it coherently.

GCSE Religious Studies is suitable for students of any religious faith, or none. The current Year 9, 10 and 11 groups contain a mix of Catholics, atheists, agnostics, and theists from a variety of religious backgrounds. Religious Studies at Holy Family is not about making you religious; it is about enabling you to think for yourself about religious, philosophical, moral and ethical issues and to apply your beliefs in order to lead a better life.

Course Content

The course is divided into three papers:

Paper 1: Foundational Catholic Theology

Origins and Meaning

Good and Evil

Paper 2: Applied Catholic Theology

Life and Death

Sin and Forgiveness

Paper 3 The Study of Judaism

Covering the beliefs and practices of Judaism

Assessment

The course is assessed through three examinations at the end of Year 11;

Two 90 minute papers and one 60 minute paper.

Future Opportunities

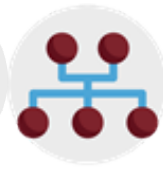
GCSE Religious Studies is intellectually rewarding. Because it prepares you so well for life in the UK, it can help you succeed in a wide variety of careers, such as business, law, the armed forces, banking, journalism and the media, retailing, nursing, social work, psychology and counselling, charitable work, teaching, and of course religion, to name but a few! It complements other GCSE subjects like English, History and Science, and is great preparation for A level RS as well as many other A level subjects. It is respected by good universities because it is challenging and will help you to achieve a place in higher education.



Curriculum Intent



Curriculum Journey



Curriculum Mapping