

## **OPTIONAL SUBJECT**

### **RELIGIOUS STUDIES**

#### **QUALIFICATION GCSE RELIGIOUS STUDIES B**

**EXAM BOARD**

**WJEC**

**PERIODS PER WEEK IN YEAR 11**     **1**

#### **HOME LEARNING EXPECTATION**

You will complete one piece of home learning per week.

#### **THE COURSE**

Religion plays an important role in our society and can influence what people think, feel, and believe. Through studying Religious Education, you will get a broad look at how religion and spirituality form the basis of our culture.

You will learn how religion, philosophy and ethics form an integral part of our world and our existence. You will be able to discuss and reflect on the major issues that are reflected within modern society.

Religious Education encourages you to:

- develop an interest in, and enthusiasm for, a study of religion and its relation to the wider world
- develop your knowledge, skills and understanding of religion by exploring the significance, impact of beliefs, teachings, sources, practices, ways of life and forms of expressing meaning
- evaluate ethical issues, and express views using reasoned arguments
- express your personal responses and informed insights on fundamental questions about identity, belonging, meaning, purpose, truth, values and commitments.

#### **WHAT YOU WILL STUDY**

Religious, philosophical and ethical studies themes studied include: Relationships and families; Religion and life; The existence of God and revelation; Religion, peace and conflict; Religion, crime and punishment and Religion, human rights and social justice

It is assessed by means of two written exams.

## **ASSESSMENT**

Thematic Studies Paper 1: Relationships, Is it fair, looking for meaning and our world from Christianity and Islam.

Thematic studies Paper 2: Religion and conflict, Religion and medicine, Religious expression and Religion and state from Christianity and Islam

How it is assessed?

Written exam: 1 hour 45 minutes paper 1 – and Written exam: 1 hour 45 minutes paper 2

96marks for both papers (plus 5 marks for SPAG)

100% of GCSE

### **What key skills will you develop?**

- Analytical & Strategic Thinking
- Research Skills
- Team Working
- Critical Thinking
- Debating Skills
- Negotiation & Resolution Skills
- Leadership Skills
- Cultural Awareness

### **What careers will this subject help prepare you for?**

- Medicine
- Law
- Social work
- Sales
- Teaching and Lecturing
- Politics
- Police
- Armed Forces
- Media

## **LINK TO FURTHER STUDY AND CAREERS**

Successful completion at grade C or above will qualify students for progression to A'level RE.

## **USEFUL RESOURCES**

### **TEXTBOOKS**

CGP Religious Studies WJEC B Religion and life issues revision guide.

WJEC Religion and human experience for WJEC religious studies specification B Revision guide.

### **WEBSITES**

**Bitesize RE KS4**

[www.rsrevision.com](http://www.rsrevision.com)

<https://quizlet.com>