

RELIGIOUS STUDIES (Full Course) GCSE



Religious Studies is an interesting and thought provoking GCSE that deals with current religious and moral issues such as:

Why is life so special?
Can a religion give a purpose in life?
Why do the innocent suffer?
Is war ever right?
Is it wrong to help humans, who want to end their life, to die?
How do doctors make ethical decisions?
What are the rights of the unborn child?
Is it right to spend so much money on IVF when there are people starving in the world?
How should we deal with offenders?
Bring back capital punishment?



The course is divided into four topics –

1. Religion and Conflict
2. Religion and Medicine
3. Religious Expression
4. Authority, Religion and the State.

As well as encouraging you to develop your own opinions on the above controversial issues, you will be looking to what extent these issues are compatible with Christian, Muslim and Jewish principles.

Religious Studies is a great qualification for any job that involves working with people, as Religious Studies helps you understand people and why they act the way they do. It is important to note that you do not need to be religious to study R.S at GCSE. Studying R.S will develop your knowledge and understanding of current affairs, help you think critically and construct arguments based on evidence and opinion.

Assessment

The course is assessed with two external papers which will consist of four structured questions consisting of visual stimuli used as a basis for a series of paragraph and extended writing answers.



For additional information please see Miss N Jones (room 113)

