

Religious Studies GCSE

Should the death penalty be allowed?

What do different religions believe about euthanasia?

Is there life after death?

Can war ever be justified?

Why do Muslims pray 5 times a day?



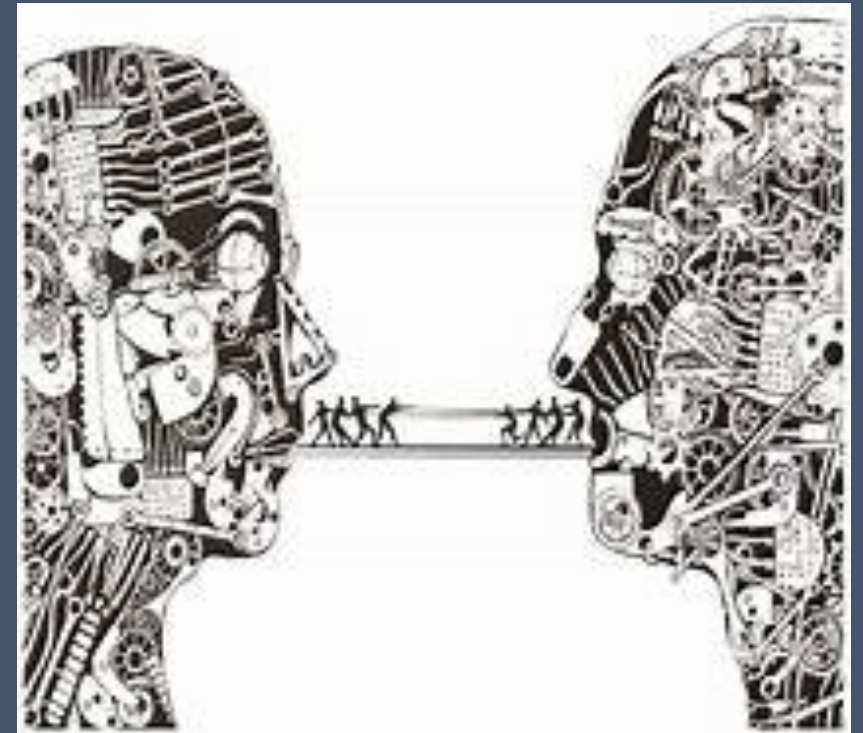
What Will I Study?

- We follow the AQA A specification, This covers religious, philosophical and ethical thought and teaching.
- **Component 1: Beliefs, Teachings and Practices**
We study 2 religions - Christianity and Islam. This component covers beliefs and teachings about the nature of God, the afterlife, authority, as well as exploring a wide range of religious practices and festivals.
- **Component 2: Ethical Themes –**
We study four themes in which we debate the rights and wrongs of different moral and ethical issues relevant to today
 - Theme A: Relationships and families
 - Theme B: Religion and Life
 - Theme D: Religion, Peace and Conflict
 - Theme E: Religion, Crime and Punishment



What Will Religious Studies Lessons Be Like?

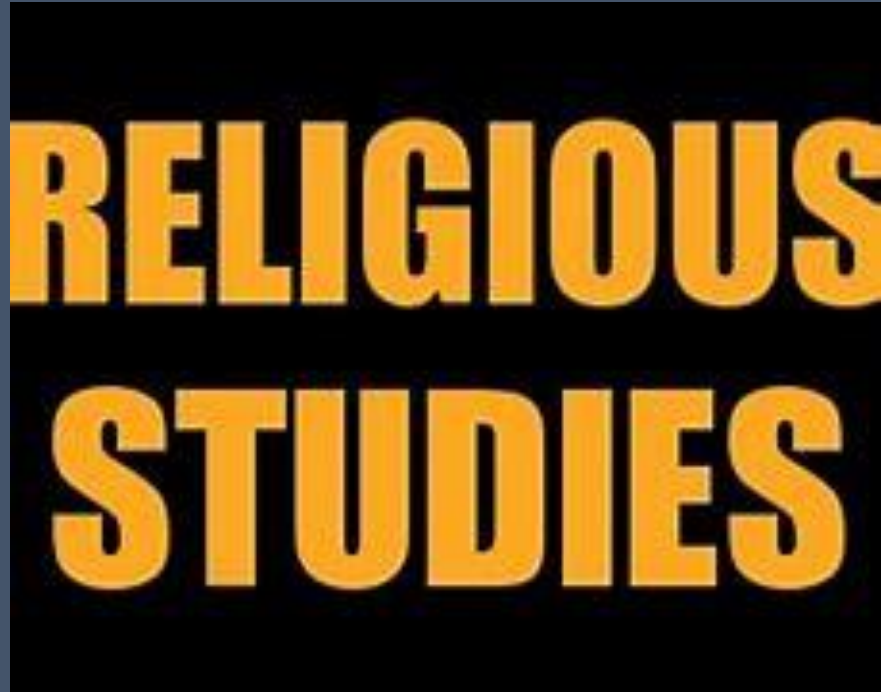
- We will have lots of debate and discussion
- You will be involved in group work
- You will participate in independent research
- You will learn how to answer the exam questions



What can I do with Religious Studies GCSE?

- Anything – it is a respected GCSE because it involves extended writing and being able to put forward different views and make an argument
- It develops skills used in A levels and Level 3 BTECs
- Valued by universities
- Proves you can explain different viewpoints
- Proves you can make a good argument for one side or another – good for careers in **law, teaching, journalism and the media.**
- Gives you a good understanding of people and society – good for careers in **medicine and health care, social work, policing, psychology, local government etc.**

How Do I Find Out More Details?



- Speak to Miss Simpkins, Mr Jackson or Mrs. Driscoll
- Speak to older students who are already taking the course