

Religious Studies



At St. Saviour's & St. Olave's, our departmental vision is to develop religiously literate students who are confident and capable of grappling with competing truth claims to make rational, informed, and personal decisions about these truth claims.

KS3 Curriculum for Religious Studies

In KS3 our students academically and critically engage with competing worldviews with depth and empathy. By the end of Key Stage 3 students should be able to question and respond to questions on meaning, purpose, and values, write an extended piece of writing considering a range of viewpoints, critically challenge stereotypes, give, and develop informed points of views and evaluate a range of sources for their authenticity and value for religious and non-religious believers.



	Half-term 1	Half-term 2	Half-term 3	Half- term 4	Half-term 5	Half-term 6
Year 7	Critical Realism	Critical Realism	Christian Worship	Judaism	Hinduism	NATRE Spirited Arts competition.
	to explore critically and discuss key concepts and decide on the validity of truth claims.		How do different Christians worship?			
Year 8	Jesus	Christianity and Ethics	Sikhism	Islam	Is it right to kill?	NATRE Spirited Arts competition.
Year 9	Problem of Evil: Does suffering make it impossible to believe in God?	Problem of Evil: Does suffering make it impossible to believe in God?	Freewill and Determinism: To what extent are we free?	Equality: To what extent is society equal? Should it be?	Justice	NATRE Spirited Arts competition.



KS4 Curriculum for Religious Studies

In KS4 our students will complete the AQA GCSE Specification A.

	Half-term	Half-term	Half-term 3	Half-term 4	Half-term	Half-
	1	2			5	term 6
Year 10	Paper 1:	Paper 1:	Paper 2:	Paper 2:	Paper 1:	Revision
	Christianity	Islam	Theme A -	Theme B –	Christianity	and End
	Beliefs	Beliefs	Relationships	Religion	Practices	of Year
			and Families	and Life		Exam
Year 11	Paper 1:	Paper 2:	Paper 2:	Paper 2:	Revision	Revision
	Islam	Theme C -	Theme C -	Theme E –		
	Practices	God and	God and	Crime and		
		Revelation	Revelation	Punishment		

KS5 Curriculum for Religious Studies

In our sixth form our students complete the OCR A Level Specification.

	Half-term 1	Half-term 2	Half-term 3	Half-term 4	Half- term 5	Half-term 6
Year 12	Ancient Philosophical Influences Natural Law Situation Ethics	Nature of the Soul, Mind and Body Kantian Ethics	Arguments for the existence or non- existence of God Utilitarianism	Religious experience and Problem of evil. Euthanasia Christian Moral Action	Augustine's teaching on human nature Business Ethics The person of Jesus Christ.	Death and the afterlife Christian Moral Principles
Year 13	Issues with religious language Meta-ethical theories	Ideas about the nature of God Conscience The challenge of secularism Liberation Theology and Marx	Knowledge of God's existence Sexual ethics Gender and society Gender and theology	Religious pluralism and theology Religious pluralism and society	Revision	Revision