

KS3 Curriculum Map

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Skills Descriptors

Ao1: Diversity

- Understanding
 - Knowledge
 - Reflection

Ao2: Argumentation

- Comparison
- Evaluation

Year/Term	Unit of Work	CORE KNOWLEDGE	KEY SKILLS	Assessment
Y7Autumn first half	Beliefs	What's the difference between philosophy and ethics? What is a belief? What is a religious belief? What are our beliefs? (What do students believe) How do our beliefs compare? Is it possible to believe in things that can't be seen?	Understanding Reflection Comparison Knowledge Evaluation	Extended writing 'Beyond Belief' assessment
Y7Autumn second half	Introducing Philosophy	What makes us human? What makes humans special? Who was Socrates? What is a thought experiment? What is the best thing to do? (applying ethical theories)	Understanding Reflection Comparison Knowledge Evaluation	'Harry Potter evaluation' essay assessment
Y7 Spring first half	Does God Exist	Who is God? (what do children say about God) Does God exist? (arguments for his existence) What is God like? (holy trinity) What was creation and is it a myth? The problem of evil an suffering	Understanding Reflection Comparison Knowledge Evaluation	'God's Coat of Arms' peer assessment
Y7 Spring second half	Life of Jesus	Who is Jesus according to history? What was Jesus' childhood like? What is a Parable and how did Jesus use them? What miracles did Jesus do? What happened during the crucifixion?	Understanding Reflection Comparison Knowledge Evaluation	'Jesus's impact on world history' essay assessment
Y7 summer first half	Islam	Who was Muhammad? What is the Qur'an? What is Hajj? How do Muslims show love for Allah? (5 pillars) What makes art in Islam different?	Understanding Reflection Comparison Knowledge Evaluation	'Infographic' peer assessment
Y7Summer second half	Telling Lies	When would lying be a good idea? The experience machine (living a lie) Is it ok for Christians to tell lies? (10 commandments) MY HUMANITY joint humanities case study project	Understanding Reflection Comparison Knowledge Evaluation	'Is it ever a good idea to lie?' Situation Ethics assessment Project peer assessment
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Y8 Autumn	Is there Power in Peace	Who was Gandhi? Who was Martin Luther king? Who was Bonhoeffer? Who was Mohammad Ali?	Understanding Reflection Comparison Knowledge	'Pacifism evaluation' essay assessment

		Who was Thich Quang Duc?	Evaluation	
Y8 Spring	Life after Death	Does death give life meaning? Is there evidence for life after death? Who is the Barra boy and what is his story? (double lesson) The parable of the sheep and the goats	Understanding Reflection Comparison Knowledge Evaluation	'Is there any evidence for life after death?' 'Essay assessment'
Y8 Summer	Animals and the environment	What is Speciesism? What is 'Climate Change' and what is being done to combat it? 'MY WORLD' cross curricular Humanities case study	Understanding Reflection Comparison Knowledge Evaluation	Case study presentation and peer assessment
Y9 Autumn	Judaism/Holocaust project	What types of Judaism are there? How did Judaism begin? Who was Moses? 'HOLOCAUST' case study joint Humanities project	Understanding Reflection Comparison Knowledge Evaluation	Project self-evaluation and peer assessment
Y9 Spring	A response to Suffering (Buddhism)	Life in Nepal Impact of the Buddha's life The 8 fold path What are the three universal truths? The 5 precepts How do Buddhist Monks live?	Understanding Reflection Comparison Knowledge Evaluation	'Beliefs and practices in Buddhism can have value for non-Buddhists too' essay assessment
Y9 Summer	Chaos and Order	The Problem of Evil and Suffering Natural Selection The Argument from Design When does life begin? Can war be Just? Bonobos vs Chimpanzees	Understanding Reflection Comparison Knowledge Evaluation	'Rules and order are better than the alternative' essay assessment.