



Religious Studies at Daubeney Academy

The Curriculum



The Religious Studies Learning Journey

- In **KS3** students have the opportunity to extend their knowledge of specific religions; particularly **Christianity, Sikhism and Buddhism**. This enables them to understand and respect different people's beliefs and how they influence lifestyle, culture and identity. They also apply religious knowledge to **global issues**, such as conflict, beliefs about death, and poverty.
- In **KS4** students will extend their understanding of two religions; **Christianity and Sikhism**. This includes the study of religious beliefs, teachings and practice which will then be applied to real-life situations through the study of selected **ethical themes**.

AQA GCSE Curriculum Content

The Study of Religions: Beliefs, Teachings and Practices

This includes concepts such as:



- The Nature of God
- Creation
- Life and Death
- Worship and Prayer
- Festivals
- Role of the church or gurdwara in the community
- Other concepts specific to each religion are also included.*

Thematic Studies

- Religion and Life (e.g. our relationship with the environment, afterlife, abortion, euthanasia)
- Religion, Peace and Conflict (e.g. Reasons for war, pacifism, peace-making)
- Religion, Crime and Punishment (e.g. reason for crime, attitudes towards lawbreakers, forgiveness, punishment)
- Religion, Human Rights and Social Justice (e.g. prejudice, poverty, giving to the poor.)





Religious Studies at Daubeney Academy and Personal Development

Religious Studies in our Daubeney Curriculum

Choose GCSE Religious Studies and you will learn how people developed their sense of **right and wrong**, and how this influences every major life decision. It will give you the opportunity for **investigation, questioning, debate and research**. This knowledge, paired with your curiosity, will give you the sought-after transferable skills for success in further education and the workplace.

Religious Studies and Personal Development

Learning about others helps us to learn more about ourselves. By studying religion, we learn to **question others and ourselves critically**, which then helps us to form our own **identity**. It also allows us to understand and **respect** what other people do, and why they do it. It may even help us to **consider our own values** in greater depth.



The study of religions can also help our students to develop their own sense of right and wrong, **justify their opinions** and **question others** about their beliefs and values. Essentially, the study of people and their beliefs helps us to become more **effective citizens** of a wonderfully diverse global community.

Religious Studies Skills

Grade 6 (example)

Explain in more detail:

- Knowledge and understanding about religious beliefs and practices.
- How beliefs and practices influence the lives of believers.
- Important similarities and differences within and between religions.
- Relevant sources of wisdom and authority accurately.
- Use relevant keywords consistently and accurately.

Careers Relating to Religious Studies



- * Government, Foreign Office or Peace Corps
- * Counselling or Social Work
- * Education
- * International Business

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