

Religious Education Curriculum Key Stage 4

Vision

At Eastlea Community School Religious Education seeks to challenge all students to explore different beliefs and to discuss the key global issues that confront humanity in the 21st Century. Religious Education at Eastlea seeks to be experiential, creative and reflective. The curriculum is designed to ensure that pupils grow to be well-informed, upright and responsible citizens. It is sequenced with a particular rationale that consistently focuses on both knowledge and skills. Students are encouraged to constantly reason, debate, make judgements and evaluate key concepts and themes. The curriculum provides pupils with the development of social, spiritual, moral, and cultural development; these include learning about different people's faiths, reflecting on their own beliefs, investigating moral and ethical issues, understanding cultural influences and showing respect for different faiths and cultural diversity.

Teaching and Learning - AQA Route A - GCSE Specification

There are two main sections in the AQA GCSE RE (9-1) which are assessed through 2 exam papers at the end of Year 11. The content of each paper is split into different units and is as follows:

- Component 1: The study of two religions [Christianity and Islam]: Beliefs, Teachings and Practices: written examination **1 hour 45 minutes**, 50% of qualification
- Component 2: Thematic studies: written examination **1 hour 45 minutes**, 50% of qualification which assesses the following themes:
 1. **Theme A:** Relationships and families
 2. **Theme B:** Religion and Life
 3. **Theme D:** Peace and Conflict
 4. **Theme E:** Crime and Punishment

Learning Resources

- <https://studywise.co.uk/gcse-revision/>
- <https://senecalearning.com/en-GB/>
- www.gcseguide.co.uk - Use the 'bookshop' option to see what revision guides are available in each subject area
- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zb48q6f>
- <https://www.s-cool.co.uk>
- <https://getrevising.co.uk>
- The Bible Project <https://www.youtube.com/user/jointhebibleproject>
- <https://revisionworld.com/gcse-revision/rs-religious-studies>
- <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC4KN50fal7f45fx2DqG7ttg>

From September 2021: KS4 RE Programme of Study (YEAR 11s ONLY)

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1
Year 11 (2 one-hour lessons)	Theme D: Religion, Peace and Conflict a. Violence, including violent protests b. Introduction to War and WMD c. Just War d. Holy War e. Pacifism and peace-making f. Forgiveness and peace-making	Theme E: Crime and Punishment + mock revision a. Good and evil intentions / reasons for crime b. Types of crime c. Aims of punishment: Retribution Reformation Deterrence d. Treatment of criminals e. Forgiveness	Exam skills and revision (Paper 2 focus) - Essay practice - Exam skills - Retrieval practice Review Component 2- all themes A,B,D,E	Exam skills and revision (Paper 1 focus) - Essay practice - Exam skills - Retrieval practice - Review Component 1 - Christianity and Islam Beliefs and Practices	Exam skills and revision - Essay practice - Exam skills Review both Components
	Assessment: Theme D	Mock 2 - Full paper 1 Theme A, B, D, E	Assessment:	Assessment: 12 mark question practice	Assessment: -

From September 2021: KS4 RE Programme of Study (YEAR 10s ONWARDS)

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Year 10 (2 one-hour lessons)	Theme A: Relationships and families a. Introduction to human sexuality - homosexual relationships b. The importance of marriage c. Contraception d. Nature and purpose of Families e. Divorce and remarriage f. Gender equality g. humanist views	Theme B: Religion and Life a. Origins of the universe and humanity b. The value of the world / dominion vs stewardship c. Use and abuse of the environment d. Animal testing e: Abortion f: Euthanasia g. Beliefs about death and afterlife	Christianity Beliefs and Teachings a. the nature of God and the trinity b. Creation c. Incarnation of Jesus d. The Crucifixion e. The Resurrection and Ascension f. Afterlife, judgement, heaven and hell g. Sin, salvation and the role of Jesus	Christianity Practises a. Prayer, worship and sacraments b. Baptism c. Holy Communion d. Pilgrimage e. Festivals: Christmas and Easter f. The role of the Church - local and global g. The place of mission and evangelism / church growth h. Christian persecution	Islam Beliefs and Teachings a. The Nature and oneness of Allah b. 6 Articles of Faith c. The 5 Principles of Faith d. Prophethood - Adam and Ibrahim e. Prophet Muhammad f. Predestination g. Afterlife	Islam Practices a. Shahada and introduction to 5 pillars b. Salah c. Zakah d. Sawm e. Hajj f. Jihad g. Festivals - Eid and Ashura End of Year Assessment Prep
	Assessment: Theme A - Exam paper	Assessment: Theme B - Exam paper	Assessment: Christianity beliefs and teachings - Exam	Assessment: Christianity Practises - Exam paper	Assessment: Islam beliefs and teachings - Exam	Assessment: Christianity and Islam Beliefs and Practices - Exam paper

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	
Year 11 (2 one-hour lessons)	Theme D: Religion, Peace and Conflict a. Violence, including violent protests b. Introduction to War and WMD c. Just War d. Holy War e. Pacifism f. Forgiveness <i>(1-week mock programme)</i>	Theme E: Crime and Punishment a. Good and evil intentions / reasons for crime b. Types of crime c. Aims of punishment: Retribution Reformation Deterrence d. Treatment of criminals e. Forgiveness	*Cover any topics remaining in Summer 2 from Christianity and Islam Exam Preparation and revision Review themes Exam Preparation and revision	Exam Preparation and revision Review Beliefs and Practises - Christianity and Islam- Exam practice	Exam Preparation and revision - Essay practice - Exam skills Review all content	
	Assessment:	Assessment: Mock 2 Theme E	Assessment: Mock 3 - Paper 1	Assessment: 12 mark questions	Assessment:	

	Mock 1 Theme A, B + D					
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