



## **A LEVEL RELIGIOUS STUDIES**

<p><b><u>EXAM BOARD</u></b></p> <p>EDUQAS (WJEAC English branch)</p>
<p><b><u>CONTENT</u></b></p> <p><b>The study of Christianity as a religion:</b> an in-depth and broad study of Christianity covering themes ranging from religious figures and sacred texts to practices that shape religious identity.</p> <p><b>Philosophy:</b> Arguments for the existence of God (inductive and deductive); challenges to religious belief; religious experience and religious language.</p> <p><b>Ethics:</b> Deontological and teleological ethics (how people make ethical decisions and how to apply these theories to situations such as abortion, euthanasia, immigration, animal experimentation and nuclear weapons as a deterrent). Freewill and determinism: are we REALLY free to make moral choices?</p>
<p><b><u>COURSE STRUCTURE</u></b></p> <p>Students study 3 different areas: Christianity, Philosophy and Ethics. Each area covers a range of topics (see above) and is examined in a separate exam. All three components contribute an equal weighting in the overall grade awarded.</p>
<p><b><u>METHOD OF ASSESSMENT</u></b></p> <p>Christianity Exam (33.3%) Philosophy of Religion Exam (33.3%) Ethics Exam (33.3%) At AS level all questions are equally weighted; at A2 level there is more emphasis on how to evaluate and assess the theories covered.</p>
<p><b><u>ENTRY REQUIREMENTS</u></b></p> <p>Grade 5 at GCSE R.E. if taken at GCSE</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>“This is different to the GCSE course as it’s more challenging: I am really enjoying it”.</i></p>

