

## Course information

### Year: 9    Subject: Ethics and Philosophy

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<b>Examination Board</b>	AQA	<b>Specification Code</b>	Specification A

#### Subject Content

Christian beliefs and practices  
Theme A Relationships and Families  
Theme B Religion and Life

#### Assessment Details:

To be successful students will need to be able to answer a mixture of short answer questions and longer essay style responses. Students will be required to answer four sets of questions on two exam papers, each 1hr 45 in length

**Paper one-** Christian beliefs (24 marks), Christian practices (24 marks), Jewish beliefs (24 marks), Jewish practices (24 marks)

**Paper two-** Thematic studies- students will choose to answer four themes out of the five that we have studied. Each theme is worth 24 marks

#### What can I do to support my child at home?

When studying Ethics and Philosophy at The Cottesloe School, students are encouraged to embark upon a quest for answers to ultimate questions, such as 'What happens when we die?' and 'Does God exist?'. The main focus of Ethics and Philosophy is to develop the critical thinking skills in our students and facilitate their exploration of not only religion and religious ways of life, but also key moral and ethical dilemmas that may face the world within the 21<sup>st</sup> century. With this in mind, you can support your child in Ethics and Philosophy by;

- Encouraging them to engage with news stories that are relevant to the subject
- Discussing key ethical dilemmas that are facing the world today, encouraging critical thinking
- Visiting places of worship and sites of religious and historical relevance
- Assisting your child with remembering keywords and concepts (these are available in electronic form from the department)
- Assisting your child in memorising key scripture from sources of authority that they can refer to in their exam

#### Recommended resources for the course:

##### Websites:

Google Classroom revision site (use code nt44ugn) <https://classroom.google.com/c/MzgyNzcyMzk3MjRa>

BBC <http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/>

Exam board for past papers <https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/religious-studies/gcse/religious-studies-a-8062>

BBC bitesize <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zb48q6f>

Seneca Learning (sign up for free to use) <https://www.senecalearning.com/blog/gcse-religious-studies-revision/>

BBC sounds <https://www.bbc.co.uk/sounds/category/religionandethics>

**Books:** AQA GCSE (9-1) Religious Studies Specification A ISBN -13: 9781471866852

**Apps:** GCSE Religious Studies on the app store

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