

Craig Ormerod Associates Ltd.

Subject Overview: Religious Education (KS4)

Pupils in Years 10 and 11 receive a minimum of two Religious Studies lessons per week, each lasting an hour. The scheme of work follows the AQA GCSE Religious Studies A curriculum (Code: 8062A).

All pupils study the following elements of this curriculum:

- **Component 1 (C1):** Beliefs, Teachings and Practices of Christianity and Islam
- **Component 2 (C2) Theme B:** Religion and Life
- **Component 2 (C2) Theme D:** Religion, Peace and Conflict
- **Component 2 (C2) Theme E:** Religion, Crime and Punishment
- **Component 2 (C2) Theme F:** Religion, Human Rights and Social Justice

Regular assessments will measure pupils' progress in knowledge retention and skill development. A variety of evaluative strategies are used throughout the course, including verbal feedback, class quizzes, teacher observation and formal GCSE practice questions.

YEAR 10

The topics covered during Year 10 are:

- **C1:** Christianity - Jesus Christ
- **C1:** Christianity - Sin and Salvation
- **C2 (Theme F):** Prejudice and Discrimination
- **C2 (Theme F):** Wealth and Poverty
- **C2 (Theme B):** Origins and Value of the Universe
- **C2 (Theme B):** Use and Abuse of the Environment
- **C2 (Theme B):** Animal Abuse and Experimentation
- **C2 (Theme B):** Origins and Value of Human Life; Abortion and Euthanasia

YEAR 11

The topics covered during Year 11 are:

- **C1:** Christianity - Worship, Prayer, Sacraments and Pilgrimage
- **C1:** Christianity - The local and international roles of the Church

- **C1:** Islam - Worship and Duties; The Five Pillars; The Ten Obligatory Acts; Jihad
- **C2 (Theme D):** Violence
- **C2 (Theme D):** War and Terrorism
- **C2 (Theme D):** Pacifism
- **C2 (Theme D):** 21st Century Conflict; Nuclear threat; Peacekeeping; Victim Response