

Curriculum Intent, Implementation and Impact 2021-22

Subject: Philosophy and Ethics

Year group: Year 7

Periods per fortnight: 1

INTENT:

Philosophy and Ethics encourages us to explore and challenge our assumptions about what we are, how we think, and the nature of the world around us. In Philosophy and Ethics lessons students take the methods and tools of philosophical and ethical enquiry and apply them to contemporary beliefs and values and key issues facing the world today. How we live has a big impact on others, in terms of the relationships we cultivate, the behaviours we adopt or avoid and the principles we choose to live by. This course investigates our beliefs, values and decision-making processes and it challenges assumptions and ideas to see if they can still stand up as relevant and meaningful.

IMPLEMENTATION:

Term	Topics studied Add dates and any assessments included	Extended learning opportunities (homework, controlled assessments, field work, trips etc.)	How parents could support students
Autumn Term	Does belief in 'God' make sense?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students may be required to research a particular topic prior to a lesson Students encouraged to research particular topics in more detail following a lesson 	<p>Discuss with your child the topics covered in Philosophy and Ethics.</p> <p>Help your child make links between current affairs stories and philosophical and ethical issues.</p>
Spring Term	Do worship and prayer serve any purpose?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students may be required to research a particular topic prior to a lesson Students encouraged to research particular topics in more detail following a lesson 	<p>Discuss with your child the topics covered in Philosophy and Ethics.</p> <p>Help your child make links between current affairs stories and philosophical and ethical issues.</p>
Summer Term	What does it mean to be human?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students may be required to research a particular topic prior to a lesson Students encouraged to research particular topics in more detail following a lesson 	<p>Discuss with your child the topics covered in Philosophy and Ethics.</p> <p>Help your child make links between current affairs stories and philosophical and ethical issues.</p>

IMPACT:

Philosophy and Ethics is designed to develop students' knowledge and understanding of different religious beliefs and practices, and to provide opportunities for students to consider their own beliefs. Philosophy and Ethics gives students a forum in which to develop their core values and contemplate some key philosophical and ethical issues affecting today's world.