

Key Stage 3 Curriculum – RS / PSHE

In Year 7 and Year 9 pupils have **two** lessons a week of PSHRE and in Year 8 one a week. The lessons are a combination of **Religious Studies, Philosophy** and **Ethics** and **PSHE** (Personal, Social and Health Education)

Year 7 pupils are taught in their mixed ability tutor groups and explore the following questions during the RS aspect of the course:

- What is religion, the history of religion, why we should learn about it and the six main world religions.
- How did it all begin?
- Life, death and beyond.
- The Gurdwara – ‘the door that leads to the Guru.’

In **Year 7**, pupils will also study the following modules as part of **PSHE**:

* How can you build your people skills? (Types of relationships, friendship and bullying, cyberbullying)

* What is healthy living? (Healthy eating, body image, staying safe, dangers of smoking)

In each of the above PSHE modules, there is an equal emphasis on **transferable skills** as much as there is on content specific to the module. For example, group work is often used. Each module will be assessed using either classwork or formal assessments.

Year 8 & 9 pupils are taught in sets (in agreement with the Geography and History departments). Modules/questions explored include:

RS	Year 8	Year 9
	MLK and the moral universe.	Medical Ethics and moral action – you decide!
	India’s non-violent political ethicist – Gandhi.	War and conflict- what are they good for?
	Jesus rebel or revolutionary?	Islam – submission to the will of God.
		Religion, Identity and Science
PSHE	Relationships and Sex Education	Relationships and Sex Education
	Relationships and Sex Education	Drugs awareness

In **Year 9**, pupils have the *option* of studying Law, War and More or Philosophy for the year.

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