



What skills will I acquire in RELIGIOUS STUDIES during KS3 at Stowupland High School?

You will be challenged with questions about belief, values, meaning, purpose and truth, enabling you to develop your own attitudes towards religious issues. You will also gain an appreciation of how religion, philosophy and ethics form the basis of our culture. You will develop analytical and critical thinking skills, the ability to work with abstract ideas, leadership and research skills. All these skills will help you prepare for further study.



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In Years 7 & 8, RS is combined with History. You will be taught in mixed ability form groups, studying religious developments within the context of the history of Britain & the wider world & reflecting on current issues. The development of Christianity with its core beliefs is covered in the Romans and Medieval units in Year 7 and in the Renaissance, Reformation & Revolution unit in Year 8. The development of Islam and its core beliefs is also studied in conjunction with the Medieval unit and Hinduism is encountered in conjunction with a study of the impact of Empire in Year 8.

In Year 9, RS is taught as a separate subject in mixed ability form groups with 1 X 75 minute lesson per week. You will be encouraged to develop your understanding of concepts of philosophy, ethics and religion through the exploration of issues, for example: What does it mean to be a human being? What is belief? Can capital punishment ever be justified? How should we regard the environment around us?



How will KS3 RELIGIOUS STUDIES prepare me for GCSE RELIGIOUS STUDIES at Stowupland High School?

The knowledge & understanding of different religious beliefs and your development of a moral compass with empathy and respect for diverse views, together with an ability to produce a reasoned explanation for your arguments will provide the basis for further study at GCSE – GCSE RS is a popular option choice as students enjoy discussing the big questions of life and exploring differing viewpoints around this.

