

# **PHILOSOPHY & RELIGIOUS STUDIES DEPARTMENT**

Philosophy & Religious Studies (PRS) is a valued and enjoyed subject throughout Tring School. We are a dedicated and enthusiastic team, with a passion for high quality PRS teaching.

## **Key Stage 3**

Philosophy and Religious Studies is taught as a discrete discipline at Key Stage 3. Students have one sixty minute lesson a week in each year group. The course is based on the new Herts. Agreed Syllabus, ensuring a firm foundation ready for GCSE, as well a broad and exciting curriculum.

## **Key Stage 4**

Full course Religious Studies is taken by all Key Stage 4 students, following the AQA A Religious Studies specification. The focus of the course is on both Christian and Muslim beliefs and practices at Yr 11 and Christian and Buddhist beliefs and practices at Yr 10 as well as four ethical themes: peace & conflict, crime & punishment, religion and life and, relationship and families. All students have three sixty minute lessons per fortnight. We start our GCSE course in Year 9.

## **Key Stage 5**

The A Level course is the Eduqas syllabus. Christianity is our chosen religion and Philosophy of Religion and Religious Ethics options are studied. It is a popular subject with healthy numbers in both our Year 12 and 13 classes. We also run a Philosophy & Ethics conference day for the whole sixth form.

As a Church of England Voluntary Controlled School the value of Religious Education in the curriculum is understood and the department has grown and developed considerably in recent years. Good links with the Diocesan Education department support the department's work.

This is an exciting time to be joining an expanding department and we look forward to welcoming a dynamic colleague to share in our developments.

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