**PHILOSOPHY, RELIGION AND ETHICS DEPARTMENT / HUMANITIES FACULTY**

Philosophy, Religion and Ethics is delivered as one of the subjects within the Humanities Faculty which includes History, Geography, and Politics. All Humanities subjects are popular options at GCSE and A level. Students consistently achieve excellent examination results in their Humanities subjects. We are looking for an enthusiastic, inspirational and committed teacher to deliver and lead Philosophy, Religion and Ethics across all year groups.

Philosophy, Religion and Ethics is a highly successful department with a dedicated team of 4 experienced specialist teachers. Philosophy, Religion and Ethics is taught to all students in KS3, in Years 9 and 10 students complete a compulsory, non-examined course in ‘Core’ Philosophy, Religion and Ethics. Students enjoy and have an interest in Philosophy, Religion and Ethics and respond positively to our Core course which covers a variety of religious world views, ethical issues including conflict, extremism, medical ethics and sexual ethics and philosophy. The Philosophy, Religion and Ethics team also plays an integral role in the delivery of Personal Social Ethics (PSE) lessons in Year 11, 12 and 13, which covers a variety of RSE, Citizenship and Philosophy, Religion and Ethics units.

Alongside our compulsory Philosophy, Religion and Ethics provision, students opt to take Philosophy, Religion and Ethics as a GCSE option. We study the AQA A specification, with Christianity, Islam and Themes (Life, God and Revelation, Peace and Conflict and Crime and Punishment) as our chosen units of study. Students consistently achieve excellent results, with 61% of GCSE students achieving grades 9-7 in the 2022 exam series. At A level the department offers AQA Religious Studies, with Philosophy and Ethics many continue to study Philosophy related degrees at university; last year 73% of students achieved A\*-B.

The Philosophy, Religion and Ethics department is committed to mixed ability inclusive teaching within the Humanities Faculty. Our students thrive on challenge and are constantly encouraged to think objectively, critically and independently, in order to develop their own reasoned response to a systematic and thematic study of religious, philosophical and ethical issues. We have a worldviews approach to the Philosophy, Religion and Ethics curriculum which encourages the use of philosophical, theological and sociological approaches.

The department works collaboratively, to incorporate up-to-date, topical and relevant resources and activities into our teaching programmes, to encourage and foster high level thinking and questioning.

We are looking for an enthusiastic, inspirational and committed Philosophy, Religion and Ethics specialist who has a clear vision for the development of delivery of Philosophy, Religion and Ethics across all Key Stages, with a clear understanding of curriculum sequencing and design. The ideal candidate will be able to work reflectively and cooperatively and contribute energetically to the future development of the Philosophy, Religion and Ethics department.

This is an opportunity to join a friendly, supportive forward-looking outstanding school, with an evolving and progressive Humanities Faculty.

**Taira Chaudhry**

**Head of Humanities Faculty**

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