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Welcome to Humanities (R.E)



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General Overview

The Humanities Department is comprised of the subject disciplines of Geography, History and Religious Education. The experienced staff have a fantastic reputation among students for dynamic lessons, challenging learning and stimulating discussions.

Aims

The aim of Humanities is to encourage students to gain and develop knowledge, conceptual understanding, research skills, analytical and interpretive skills, and communication skills, contributing to the development of the student as a whole. Humanities aims to encourage students to respect and understand the world around them, and to provide a skills base to facilitate further study. This is achieved through the study of individuals, societies and environments in a wide context: historical, contemporary, geographical, political, social, economic, religious, technological and cultural.

Our Curriculum

Religious Education contributes dynamically to students education by provoking challenging questions about meaning and purpose in life, beliefs about God, ultimate reality, issues of right and wrong and what it means to be human.

In RE they learn about and from religions and worldviews in local, national and global contexts, to discover, explore and consider different answers to these questions. They learn to weigh up the value of wisdom from different sources, to develop and express their insights in response, and to agree or disagree respectfully.

Teaching equips students with systematic knowledge and understanding of a range of religions and worldviews, enabling them to develop their ideas, values and identities. It develops in students an aptitude for dialogue so that they can participate positively in our society with its diverse religions and worldviews. Students gain and deploy the skills needed to understand, interpret and evaluate texts, sources of wisdom and authority and other evidence. They learn to articulate clearly and coherently their personal beliefs, ideas, values and experiences while respecting the right of others to differ.

Our GCSE

- The Island
- Judaism – Key Beliefs & Festivals
- Christianity – Key Beliefs & Festivals
- Thematic Studies
- Sexual Relationships and Family
- Crime and Punishment
- Peace and Conflict
- Early Life and Death

Exam Board: AQA

Specification: Religious Studies (Spec A)

Exam: Paper 1 50% Paper 2 50%

Trips & Activities

Year 7 Humanities visit to Chichester to extend thinking and enquiry skills.

Year 9 RE/History visit to holocaust survivor at Chichester Cathedral

Year 9 and 10 History/RE residential trip to Auschwitz

GCSE RE visit to Jewish Museum in London

Links to specific events such as Black History Month and Holocaust Memorial Day,

Staff

Mrs R James BA (Hons) MA (Ed) - Leader of Humanities and Teacher of Geography

Mr Masson BA (Hons) - Teacher of Geography

Mr M Burns BSc (Hons) - Teacher of History & RE

Mrs McGarry BA (Hons) - Leader of History

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