



Religious Studies Curriculum Intent



Trust Religious Studies Curriculum intent: The principle aim of Religious Studies is that all students will have an increased **awareness of a range of religions and worldviews**. Students will **develop the knowledge, understanding** and skills needed to **appreciate and appraise varied responses** to significant human questions, as well as **develop their own response**.

The curriculum has been mapped against the Rotherham Agreed Syllabus which is in line with the Non-Statutory Framework.

Curriculum Principles	Curriculum Intent
Awareness of a range of religions and worldviews	Students will be able to describe, explain and analyse beliefs and practices from the major six world religions, recognising the diversity and unity which exists within and between communities. We want students to appreciate and appraise the global community of beliefs and practices promoting equality and unity.
Knowledge and understanding	Students will identify, investigate and respond to questions posed by, and responses offered by some of the sources of wisdom found in religions and world views. We want students to appreciate and appraise the nature, significance and impact of different ways of life and ways of expressing meaning.
Appreciate and appraise varied responses	The curriculum journey promotes an opportunity for students to express ideas and insights about the nature, significance and impact of religions and world views. We want students to appreciate and appraise varied dimensions of religions so that they can explain reasonably their ideas about how beliefs, practices and forms of expression influence individuals and communities.
Develop their own response	The curriculum journey promotes an enquiry into what enables different communities to live together respectfully for the wellbeing of all. We want students to engage seriously with religions and world views so they can articulate their personal reflections and critical responses to questions and teachings about identity, diversity, meaning, value and commitments in their own and other people's lives.