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Dear Parent/Guardian

I am writing to remind you that your son/daughter will be sitting their GCSE in Religious Studies in May of this academic year.

The dates of the examinations are below:

Monday 15 May (AM) Paper 1: Religion and Ethics (1RBO/1C) from a **Muslim** perspective (1hr45). Topics: Muslim Beliefs, Marriage and the Family, Living the Muslim Life and Matters of Life and Death.

Tuesday 23 May (PM) Paper 2: Religion, Peace and Conflict (1RBO/2B) from a **Christian** perspective (1hr45). Topics: Christian Beliefs, Crime and Punishment, Living the Christian Life and Peace and Conflict.

Your child will also have a final PPE (pre-public examination) <u>on Tuesday 14 March</u> where they will sit a 1 hour 45 minute paper containing questions on the following four topics:

- Living the Christian Life
- Crime and Punishment
- Living the Muslim Life Matters of Life and Death
- If you wish purchase a revision guide, we recommend: <u>https://www.amazon.co.uk/Edexcel-</u> Religious-Studies-Christianity-Revision/dp/1292148829



Revision Corridor Programme:

The RP team will also be delivering a revision corridor programme, from this week until the examinations. These will take place **online**, **via Google Meet**, on the Google Classroom page: fy6k5u7. The first session will take place from 4:00 - 4:30pm and an identical session from 4:30 - 5:00pm (to cater for the number of students who wish to attend). The first four sessions are revision sessions for the four units that will be in the March PPE. The sessions and dates are outlined below:

Wed 22 Feb	Living the Muslim Life
Wed 1 March	Living the Christian Life
Wed 8 March	Crime and Punishment
Thurs 9 March	Matters of Life and Death
Tues 14 March	Christian Beliefs
Wed 22 March	Muslim Beliefs
Tues 28 March	Marriage and the Family
Wed 29 March	Peace and Conflict
Wednesdays after Easter	DROP-IN SESSIONS G2 & G3
Friday 12 May	Drop down day (Ms Periods 1 and 2, Es Periods 3 and 4

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Monday 15 May- Islam Exam	8:00 - 8:40am- Islam pre-exam booster DR2
Wednesday 17 May	DROP-IN SESSIONS G2 & G3
Tuesday 23 May- Christianity Exam	11:15 – 12:15- Christianity pre-exam booster DR2

In addition, please encourage your son/daughter to utilise our department's Google Classroom page. On this page there are completed glossaries, past paper questions, revision resources, exemplar answers and videos where a member of the RP team talks through the content from each unit. The code is: <u>g26g3ik</u>

GCSEPod is also great tool that we subscribe to, that your child can use to support with their revision. GCSEPod makes learning and revision much more manageable, as content is broken down into small chunks. This video link is useful to understand how GCSEPod works and how you can use this to support your child with their revision at home: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nKXN_FGBxFg. On our RP Google Classroom page, there are links to videos on GCSEPod that are useful for each of our units, so please encourage your child to use these to help them navigate to pods that link to our exam board.

Many thanks for your continued support and if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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