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Dear Parent/Guardian

### **Year 9 - Religion and Philosophy Summer Homework and Year 10 Examinations**

I am writing to remind you that your child will be sitting their GCSE in Religious Studies at the end of Year 10 (May 2026).

At Maiden Erlegh, we are studying Edexcel Religious Studies B (1RBO), accredited by Ofqual in July 2016.

This is formed of:

- **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.
- **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.

To help prepare students for their final year of this GCSE, the Religion and Philosophy team have been advising that students, between now and September, complete **six revision resources**, in whatever format works best for them (flash cards, mind maps, posters, Word documents etc.). If students complete these prior to the start of Year 10, this means that they can start the process of recall and completing practice questions as early as possible.

For your information, the six topics we have completed in Year 9 are:

- Christian Beliefs - Living the Christian Life - Crime and Punishment
- Muslim Beliefs - Living the Muslim Life - Marriage and the Family

Please encourage your child to utilise our department's Google Classroom page for support with creating these resources. On the page are specification checklists, so that students can ensure each revision resource includes all the specified examination content. Additionally, there are revision videos for each topic (where a member of the RP team talks through the content from each unit), revision summaries, lists of practice questions, and completed glossaries. The code for this Google Classroom is: **q26g3ik**.



In Religion and Philosophy, your child will sit their first PPE (Pre-Public Examination) after October half term, where they will compete a 1 hour 45-minute paper containing questions on four of the six topics we have studied so far. Therefore, these revision resources will help them prepare for this.

If you wish to support your child further with their GCSE in Religious Studies, the textbooks we recommend are:

- 1) *GCSE Religious Studies, Edexcel B, Religion, Peace and Conflict through Christianity*. Gordan Reid and Sarah K Tyler. ISBN-13: 978-0198370444
- 2) *GCSE Religious Studies, Edexcel B, Religion and Ethics through Islam*. Waqar Ahmad Ahmedi. ISBN-13: 978-0198370413

Alternatively, there is a good revision guide that you could purchase: <https://www.amazon.co.uk/Edexcel-Religious-Studies-Christianity-Revision/dp/1292148829>

We have been most impressed by year group's engagement with the course and look forward to supporting them next year through their first GCSE.

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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