St. Joseph's RC High School Ysgol Uwchradd Gatholig Joseff Sant 2016 KS4 Learning Pathways

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Addysg Grefyddol



Course Title: Religious Education Examination Board: WJEC Qualification: GCSE



THE AIM OF THE RE DEPARTMENT

Building on the foundations laid at home, in the parishes and the primary schools, the RE department aims to help students come to know and love Jesus Christ. The teachers aim to do this through academic work, through liturgy and through prayer.

COURSE OUTLINE

Specification content: (A copy of the full specification is available on request)

Candidates study TWO units at GCSE

- Unit 3 Catholicism 1
- Unit 4 Catholicism 2

Within these papers, students will study the following topics:

- Beliefs, Teachings and Sources
- Practices and Ways of Life
- Expressing Meaning
- Identity, diversity and belonging
- Meaning, purpose and truth
- Values and commitment

The aim of both papers is to give a good knowledge of the beliefs and practices of the Catholic faith. However, the course also teaches valuable skills, such as essay writing, learning to evaluate questions and the skill of writing balanced arguments.

HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

There are TWO written papers at the end of the course, both 1 hour 45 minutes in length. There is no coursework requirement for GCSE RE.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES AND PROGRESSION

Although the main aim of the course is to provide a formation for each student that will enable them to reach their full potential in all aspects of moral and spiritual development, it is generally recognised that RE is acceptable for a wide range of career links. Former students have used a qualification in RE, both at GCSE and Advanced Level, to go on to take up careers in:

- * The Financial Services
- Management
- * Law
- * Tourism; Administration
- Social Work
- * The Civic Service
- Health Service Work
- * Teaching

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