

# Philosophy. Ethics and Religion Curriculum 2022-23



	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
YEAR 12	<p><b>Philosophy-</b> What are the different types of reasoning?                      St Thomas Aquinas' first Three Ways                      The Kalam cosmological argument                      St Thomas Aquinas' Fifth Way -                      Anthropic and aesthetic arguments                      David Hume - empirical objections                      Alternative scientific explanations                      St Anselm and challenges to the ontological argument                      Rene Descartes                      Norman Malcolm                      Immanuel Kant's objection  <b>Ethics</b> -What is ethics?                      Deontological and teleological ethics                      Natural Law                      Aristotle                      Thomas Aquinas Natural Law                      Four Laws                      Primary Precepts                      Secondary precepts                      Interior and Exterior Acts  <b>Christianity-</b> Jesus- His birth                      Consistency of the birth narratives                      Redaction Interpretation                      Jesus: His resurrection                      Nature of resurrected body</p> <p>The Bible as a source of wisdom and authority in daily life</p>	<p><b>Philosophy-</b> The types of evil                      The logical problem of evil                      William Rowe (intense human and animal suffering) and Gregory S. Paul (premature deaths).                      The degree to which modern problem of evil arguments are effective in proving God's nonexistence                      Augustinian type theodicy                      Irenaean type theodicy                      The nature of religious experience                      Prayer – types and stages of prayer according to Teresa of Avila.  <b>Ethics</b> – Cardinal Virtues                      Theological Virtues                      Applied ethics- abortion                      Finnis' development of Natural Law                      Hoose's development of Natural Law                      Applying the ethic to immigration and capital punishment                      Situation ethics  <b>Christianity-</b>The Nature of God                      Is God male?                      Can God suffer?                      The impassibility of God                      The Trinity                      The Nature and identity of Christ</p> <p>The Trinity                      The origin of the Holy Spirit: the Filioque controversy.                      The atonement</p>	<p><b>Philosophy-</b> William James' four characteristics of mystical experience: ineffable, noetic, transient and passive.                      Challenges to the objectivity and authenticity of religious experience                      Miracles the definitions of.                      St Thomas Aquinas, David Hume, R.F. Holland, Richard Swinburne                      David Hume – his scepticism of miracles                      Richard Swinburne – his defence of miracles  <b>Ethics-</b> Situation ethics Boss principle                      Four working principles                      Six Fundamental principles                      Act utilitarianism                      Hedonic calculus                      JS Mill                      Rule utilitarianism  <b>Christianity-</b> Faith and works                      Luther's- justification by faith alone                      The Council of Trent                      The community of believers/ as a model for the contemporary church                      Key moral principles                      Case for infant baptism                      Case for believers' baptism                      Christmas and Easter - similarities and</p> <p>differences between Eastern and Western churches</p>

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YEAR 13	<p><b>Philosophy-</b> Freud -Religion as an illusion and/or a neurosis          Jung- concepts and reductionist views          Rejection of belief in deities; the difference between agnosticism and atheism          New Atheism          Inherent problems of using religious language          Understanding of religious language          Logical Positivism - Verification          (A. J. Ayer) – religious language as meaningless          Falsification nothing can counter the belief (Antony Flew).</p> <p><b>Ethics1</b> -Animal experimentation          Nuclear and chemical weapons          Ethical determinism          Religious predestination          Hard, biological and psychological determinism          Soft determinism</p> <p><b>Ethics 2</b> - What is ethics, meta ethics and Divine Command theory?          What is Virtue theory with a focus on Aristotle's theory?          What is ethical egoism and what are long- and short-term interests?          What is the meta-ethical theory of Naturalism?          What is intuitionism?          What is emotivism?          How was the biblical Canon established?          What are the characteristics of the Early Church in Acts of Apostles and how is this presented by CH Dodd?</p>	<p><b>Philosophy-</b> Criticisms of verification          Criticisms of falsification          Religious language as non-cognitive and analogical          Religious language as non-cognitive and analogical          Religious Language as non-cognitive and symbolic.          Religious Language as non-cognitive and symbolic          Religious Language as non-cognitive and symbolic          Challenges: problem of competing myths          Religious language as a language game</p> <p><b>Ethics</b> – Freewill          Pelagius and Arminius Freewill          Libertarianism          Scientific and psychological libertarianism</p> <p><b>Christianity-</b> Kerygmata          Views of Jesus of Crossan and NT Wright?          What are the challenges of Christian migration to the UK?          Feminist theology?          The changing role of men and women in Christianity          Secularisation          Religion and science          Religious pluralism and religious diversity          Ecumenical movement</p>	<p><b>Philosophy-</b> Revision</p> <p><b>Ethics-</b> Revision</p> <p><b>Christianity-</b> Christian inclusivism          Differences between Christian universalism and pluralistic universalism          World Council of Churches          Charismatic movement          South American Liberation theology</p>
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