

Saffron Walden County High School Curriculum

CURRICULUM SUMMARY 2025-2026:



SAFFRON WALDEN
COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

Year 8		AUTUMN TERM		SPRING TERM		SUMMER TERM	
		TERM 1A	TERM 1B	TERM 2A	TERM 2B	Term 3A	TERM 3B
Humanities - RPE	KNOWLEDGE DOMAIN	Morality- What does it mean to be good? Religion, Philosophy, Ethical Theory, History What does 'good' mean? (P)	Continue Morality. Assessment: Two written assessments Explain 2 ethical theories that people may use for their decision making.	Philosophy -Does God exist? Philosophy- Does God exist? Philosophy, Science, Humanism/ Non-Religious Worldviews How do religious experiences try to prove God exists? (P) How does the Design Argument try to prove God exists? (P, HSc) How does the Cosmological argument try to prove God exists? (P, HSc) How might scientific responses try to disprove God's existence? (P, HSc) How might the Problem of Evil try to disprove God's existence? (P, HSc)	Continue Philosophy Philosophy, Science, Humanism/Non-Religious Worldviews Assessment: Two written assessments Explain one Christian theodicy Evaluate "The Design Argument successfully proves the existence of God"	Judaism – What does it mean to live a good Jewish life? Religion, History, Philosophy, Theology, Art History What is an Abrahamic religion? (T) Who was Abraham? (T) What is the 'covenant' and what does it mean to be the 'chosen people' (T, HSc) Who was Moses? (T, HSc) What is the Mosaic Law? (T) How is the Exodus remembered? (T, HSc) How do Jews celebrate today? (T, HSc) Diversity within Judaism? (T, HSc) Following the mitzvah (T, HSc)	Continue Judaism Assessment: Two written assessments Explain why it is important for Jewish people to remember the covenants today Evaluate "To live a good Jewish life, you must follow all the mitzvot"
	Substantive Disciplinary Personal WORLDVIEWS Theology Lens (T) Philosophy Lens (p) Historical and Social Sciences Lens (HSc)	What do we use to make moral decisions? (P) Is it people or actions that are good? (P) Examination of Virtue Ethics, also touching on Utilitarianism, Situation Ethics and Divine Command Theory. (P) What does the story of Esther tell us about what it means to be good? (T, P) What does the story of Maximillian Kolbe tell us about what it means to be good? (P, HSc)	Evaluate "It is always easy to be a good person".				

	<i>ENGAGE</i> <i>ENQUIRE</i> <i>EXPLORE</i> <i>EVALUATE</i> <i>EXPRESS</i>	Literacy Research Interpretation of evidence Evaluation of viewpoints Analysis of arguments Reflection Discussion Presentation	Literacy Research Textual analysis Evaluation of viewpoints Analysis of arguments Reflection of resources Discussion on impact of prophets Explore how stories from the past are celebrated today	Literacy Interpretation of evidence Collaboration Evaluation of viewpoints Analysis of arguments Oracy Debate and discussion Exploration of philosophical theories
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