PHILOSOPHY & RELIGION

Years 7 and 8 - CURRICULUM ROADMAP

BEDE'S AMBITIOUS ACADEMIC FACULTIES

YEAR 9

SUMMER TERM

- Explore themes including refugees, human rights abuses, courage, freedom and protest
- **TOPIC: EUTHANASIA**
- Explore ethical issue and moral decision-making
- The ethics of life and death - philosophical views
- Examine religious arguments for and against euthanasia
- End of Year Examination

SPRING TERM

- Civil Rights Movement: What were the social/ political challenges faced by African Americans during this period?
- Exodus: Pesach Explain how Jewish families celebrate Passover today
- Exodus: Study Moses' journey from a reluctant leader to a figure of liberation.
- **TOPIC: LEADERSHIP, FREEDOM & THE ROLE OF RELIGION**
- Discuss and examine Human Rights
- FAITH WEEK
- Civil Rights Movement: Analyse the leadership and role of Martin Luther King Jr.
- Exodus: explore the historical and religious significance of the Israelites' enslavement in Egypt and their liberation.
- Case studies: The Death penalty across the world

SUMMER TERM

- SOCRATES: Seeking truth through questioning
- Practical Philosophical Inquiries
- Revision opportunities Summer Assessment
- **TOPIC: POLITICAL PHILOSOPHIES**
- Oracy skills: Critical thinking, philosophical inquiry
- **TOPIC: CAPITAL PUNISHMENT**

Y8

AUTUMN TERM

- Recap: What is Philosophy?
- Recap: 4Cs
- FAITH WEEK
- Considering global current affairs, examples.
- Utopia/Dystopia project
- Cross curricular links with History & Geography. Interrogate examples of theocracies, plutocracies etc and examine their effectiveness/ impact.

SPRING TERM

- **TOPIC: BIG THINKERS: KEY PHILOSOPHERS**
- VISIT or TALK QUAKERS
- Comparison between Roman Catholicism & Protestant Church.
- **TOPIC: CHRISTIANITY: BRANCHES & BELIEFS**
- Revision opportunities Autumn Assessment
- Revision opportunities Spring Assessment
- FOCUS: Quaker worship
- Research & Investigate the Protestant Denominations
- Examine the history of the Great Schism & the Reformation. (Causes & Impact)
- Explore debates on Science & Faith
- Dominion vs Stewardship. (Environment)

Y7

AUTUMN TERM

- What is worldview?
- Establish the 4 Cs: Creative, Collaborative, Critical & Caring Thinking
- Explore stories which tell a truth.
- **TOPIC: FROM CREATION TO CONSERVATION**
- Introduction to Philosophy
- **TOPIC: WORLDVIEW, MORAL DILEMMAS & PARABLES**
- Build oracy skills
- Parable of The Good Samaritan
- Themes of hypocrisy, sacrifice, compassion. Comparisons to current issues: homelessness, discrimination etc.