	Philosophy & Ethics Curriculum Overview - Year 9	
	Unit	Details
Autumn One	Christian Beliefs	Building on from learning in Year 8 regarding the nature of God when faced with suffering, pupils will develop their understanding of the Problem of evil and suffering. They will reflect on Moral and Natural Evils and use examples to illustrate and support argument and discussion. They will reflect on the nature of God with direct study of the Oneness of God and the Trinity and beliefs about the Creation of the Universe; scientific and religious. In Year 9, learners will then consider beliefs about the afterlife, including Christian teachings on Resurrection, Judgement and Heaven and Hell. They will investigate the Resurrection from a religious and scientific approach, before concluding if the event that Christians focus their belief on, happened as recorded in the Gospels. Pupils will conclude their study of Christian beliefs with an investigation into the Incarnation, Holy Week and the Church teaching on Sin and Salvation. They will consider the humanity and divinity of Jesus.
Autumn Two		
Spring One		
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Summer One	Relationships and Families	Pupils will explore religious beliefs and teachings about homosexual and hetrosexual relationships. They will analyse attitudes to contraception, cohabitation and marriage, polygamy, procreation, same-sex parents, and educating children in a faith. Pupils will also investigate, analyse and evaluate what the family looks like in the 21st century which will also include divorce, attitudes to remarriage and gender equality in the home and society. They will be able to explain contrasting beliefs of these issues from a Christian, Islamic and a secular perspective.
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