

# RMPS

## National 5

### Recommended Entry Requirements

- interest in RMPS
- enthusiasm in the subject
- an understanding of what the course entails
- respect for faculty expectations

RMPS is different to core RME

### Progression through RMPS

Higher  
RMPS



### Course Content

The National 5 course aims to encourage pupils to develop a range of transferable skills such as investigation, research, questioning and analysis. The course enables learners to investigate and explain religious, moral and philosophical questions and responses, make comparisons and develop the ability to express detailed and reasoned views. The course challenges pupils to think about their own views as well as the views of others in society.

#### World Religion- Hinduism

This topic covers the Nature of God; Atman; Avidya; Krishna as an avatar of Vishnu; Stories about Krishna; Krishna and Arjuna; Karma; Samsara; Moksha; Dharma; Three Margas; Worship.

#### Morality & Belief- Morality and Medicine

- the value of life: right to life, right to die, sanctity of life, personal autonomy
- use of embryos: reproductive, research, therapeutic
- end-of-life care: palliative, hospice
- euthanasia and assisted dying: voluntary euthanasia, non-voluntary euthanasia, assisted dying provided by individuals or organisations

#### Religious & Philosophical Questions- Evil and Suffering

Pupils will study:

- types of suffering and evil
- explanations of suffering and evil
- free will and responsibility
- determinism
- natural causes
- role of God
- problems for beliefs about God
- nature of God
- challenge to the nature of God
- challenge to the existence of God
- theodices

### Skills Developed

Analysis, evaluation, using sources, extended writing, critical thinking, creativity, taking notes, research, planning, questioning, presentation, understanding different viewpoints and more.

### Assessment

#### Exam Paper

2 hours 20 minutes, 80 marks

This comprises of three sections covering the three topics studied

#### National 5 Assignment

1 hour, marked externally, 20 marks

This is worth 20% of the overall grade.

### Related Careers

Social Subjects (e.g. Sociology, Psychology, Social Anthropology, History, Philosophy, Criminology), Emergency Services (e.g. Medicine, Police & Prison Services, Fire Service), Social Work, Education, Journalism and the Media, Law etc

Ricky Gervais, Rashida Jones, Martin Luther King and Maggie Gyllenhaal all have degrees related to RMPS!

