

## Religious Studies

Religion and World views at Ormiston Denes Academy will introduce you to Philosophy and Religions through studying a range of thinkers covering 3000 years of human civilisation, from the Pre-Socratics to Singer.

We will explore how religions began, and how they spread across the world. We will learn how to think like philosophers, interpret like theologians and analyse like social scientists! We will challenge you to be amazing, and support you in pushing yourself to the limit.

What is Philosophy? **Philosophy** is a way of thinking about the world, the universe, and society. It works by asking very basic questions about the nature of human thought, the nature of the universe, and the connections between them. The ideas in **philosophy** are often general and abstract. The aim is to widen your base of knowledge whilst working on your inquiry, analysis and written skills.

Here are 3 challenge questions for you to consider:

1. When were the first people to practice religion alive?

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2. What historical evidence do we have for the existence of Jesus Christ?

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3. What is the most important emotion a person can experience, and why do you think it is?

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4. How many types of religion can you think of?

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