

Year 12	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
<b>Topic Overview Moral Philosophy</b>	2.1 Introduction to Ethics: How do we decide what is morally right to do? 2.1.1 Utilitarianism 2.1.2 Applying Utilitarian ethics	2.2 Kantian Deontological ethics 2.2.3 Applying Kantian ethics	2.3 Aristotelian Virtues ethics 2.3.1 Aristotelian ethics 2.3.2 Applying Aristotelian virtue ethics	2.4 Meta ethics	2.4 Applied ethics	Preparing for the exam
<b>Focus</b>	Students are introduced to the key ideas of morality and the concept of Utilitarianism. Where moral ideas are based on the principle that giving pleasure to the majority is the best principle. Students Look at: 1.The principle of Utility, Bentham and utility calculus and Act and Rule Utilitarianism. 2. JS Mill and the idea of higher and lower pleasures and 'proof of utilitarianism.' 3. Non – hedonistic utilitarianism and Preference Utilitarianism And then the issues raised by these theories: 1.Nozick's machine	The next topic is in contrast to Utilitarian. Students study the ideas of Kant and his principle of the 'categorical imperative' and the idea of duty and good will. Students study: 1.how people act in accordance with duty and out of duty 2. the hypothetical and the categorical imperative. Including the universal law function of the CI and the humanity formulations of the CI. Students also study the issues arising from Kant's theories	Students venture into Ancient Greek philosophy and study Aristotle's idea of 1.eudaimonia and it's relation to pleasure, and 2. his ideas of virtues and vices. Students then discover the issues related to his theories and consider: 1.does virtue ethics give clear guidance on how to act? 2.the problem of competing and clashing virtues 3. the issue of circularity 4.what really is the relationship between individual good and moral good.	This topic is wide ranging and takes students to the heart of philosophical thinking. Student look at 3 main areas: 1.Origins and status of moral principles through reasons/emotions and society 2.Moral realism and it's issues – including a revisit of utilitarianism of Bethan, and theories of Moore's intuitionism, 'open question argument' and the Naturalistic fallacy. Then to counter these a close study of Hume's fork and Ayer's verification principle. And Mackie's arguments from relativity and from queerness.	Consolidating their learning and putting in practice philosophical thinking by analysing how the theories can be applied to the issues of: 1.Stealing 2.Simulated killing (in video games, films, plays etc) 3.Eating animals 4.Telling lies  Students compare the three normative theories: utilitarian, Kant and Aristotle and the meanings of 'good' 'bad' 'right' and 'wrong'.	Revising and consolidating learning so far 3.1 How to approach the exam 3.2 How to read philosophy



Key Stage 5 – Year 13 Metaphysics of God

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<b>Topic Overview Metaphysics of God</b>	1.1 The concept and nature of God	1.2 Arguments relating to the existence of God	1.3 Religious language	Revision and exam prep	Revision and exam prep	
<b>Focus</b>	<p>What is God? A study of how people view God.</p> <p>1.1 .1God’s Attributes 1.1.2 Arguments for the incoherence of the concept of God</p>	<p>Can we prove he exists? The four classical arguments that prove or disprove God’s existence</p> <p>1.2.1 Ontological Argument 1.2.2 Teleological Argument 1.2.3 Cosmological Argument 1.2.4 The problem of evil</p>	<p>Is it possible to make meaningful statements about God? Studying the language that we use to explain God’s existence.</p> <p>1.3.1 The distinction between cognitivism and non-cognitivism about religious language 1.3.2 the empiricist/logical positivist challenges to the status of metaphysical language 1.3.3 John Hick’s response to Ayer (eschatological verification) 1.3.4 The University debate: Flew, Hare and Mitchell</p>	Preparation for the A level.		
<b>Assessment</b>	Essay	Year 13 Mocks	Essay	Past Papers	A level	

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<b>Topic Overview</b> The Metaphysics of mind	What do we mean by mind?	Dualist Theories	Physicalist theories	Revision		
<b>Focus</b>	Features of mental states	Substance dualism Property dualism The issues facing dualism	Philosophical behaviourism The mind brain type identity theory Eliminative materialism Functionalism			
<b>Assessment</b>	Essay	Year 13 Mocks	Essay	Exam questions / Essays	Exams	