



N4/5 RMPS



Religious, Moral and Philosophical Studies

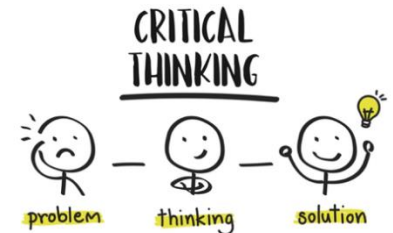
What topics will I study in RMPS?

At National 4/5 level we will cover the following topics: Morality, Medicine, and the Human Body, looking at topics such as Euthanasia and Palliative Care. Suffering and Evil, where we learn about the difference between natural evil (disease) and moral evil (murder). We also study one of the major World Religions, looking at the traditions, beliefs and practices of the chosen religion and its impact in the wider world. At National 5 and Higher level pupils are required to complete an Assignment where they get to choose a debatable topic and complete a research piece of work which relates to either a religious, moral, or philosophical issue. For example, 'Can Capital Punishment ever be justified?'



Why choose RMPS?

Pupils debate, develop opinions and build confidence and passion as they challenge each other's viewpoints. RMPS is a literacy-based subject, developing important skills such as analysis, evaluation, and critical thinking. The topics are relevant, exciting, and engaging and we often look at real life examples, media examples and current affairs. There are lots of opportunities for pupils to attend trips to places such as a Sheriff Court, Religious Places of Worship and HM Prisons.



Progression

You can study RMPS at National 5 and Higher level in S5/6. When applying to universities and colleges, RMPS is considered an essay based subject and is therefore looked on as a desirable subject to have. It is a recommended subject for many courses at various universities across Scotland as it helps prepare pupils for the level of writing required at university.



Careers

- Teaching
- Police
- Law
- Psychology
- Criminology
- Social Work
- Civil Service
- Medicine
- Healthcare
- Politics
- Management
- Journalism

FAQs

Do I need to be religious to study RMPS? *No. This is an academic subject and there is no expectation for you to have any particular belief.*

I already get core RE, is this the same? *No. Core RE is one period per week and does not enable pupils to study RMPS in depth or gain an SQA National Qualification.*