



LAWRENCE SHERIFF SCHOOL RUGBY

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AT KS4

NATIONAL REQUIREMENTS

RE Syllabuses must 'reflect the fact that religious traditions of Great Britain are in the main Christian, whilst taking into account the other principal religions represented in Great Britain'. ERA 1988.

REQUIREMENT OF LOCAL AGREED SYLLABUS

All pupils at KS4 should study an approved course which at LSS comprises: the provision of option 1(b) in the Agreed Syllabus.

A GCSE (Short Course) in RE which is based on the study of Christianity and at least one other religion. The recommendation is that this should be an issues-based syllabus. Warwicks Agreed Syllabus 1996.

AT LSS

As of September 1999, all boys will study the GCSE Short Course (half a GCSE) Edexcel 3480 Religious Studies (Unit A) - Religion and Life from the viewpoint of Christianity and at least one other religion, and will take one two hour exam at the end of Year 11. There is no coursework.

EDEXCEL GCSE SHORT COURSE

1. Believing in God
Christianity and/or one other religion
2. Matters of Life and Death
Christianity and one other religion
Sanctity of Life, Life after Death, Abortion, Euthanasia
3. Marriage and Family Life
Christianity and one other religion
Nature and purpose of marriage and family life, mutual responsibilities of parent and children
4. Social Harmony
Christianity and one other religion
Status and rôle of men and women, racial harmony and religious freedom
5. Religion and the Media
Religious programmes on television
A religious or moral issue in a soap opera
A religious theme in one film or TV drama

They will also study the PSHE modules listed below:

Health Education

Drugs, alcohol, contraception, sexually transmitted infections and mental health

Careers

(2 modules of 2 weeks each, one in Year 10 and one in Year 11)

Year 10

Post-16 options, careers action planning, work readiness and money matters

Year 11

Matters relating to work experience.

Full Course Religious Studies Edexcel Code 1480

Any student who wishes to make up the half course to a full one may do so. They would need to take one extra paper, Religion and Society, at the end of Year 11, the work for which would need to be done during one lunchtime per week, the day to be agreed with Mrs Kingston.