Religious Studies Year 11 Curriculum Map 2026/27

Week Commencing	Lesson topic	HAIL	Assessment
Staff INSET 01/09 Students Return 02/09	**AQA Religion & Life** Continuing the course from Year 10 studies. Focus on; • The Use and abuse of animals • The Origins of human life **Key Resources for the Unit** • Oxford textbook https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zbndy9q	**Seneca** 2.1.1 2.1.2 2.1.3 2.1.4 2.2.1 2.2.2 2.2.3 **Spellings & Keywords**	
07/09/2026	• Abortion • Euthanasia • Death and the afterlife	**Seneca** Smart reassign revision	
14/09/2026	**End of Topic Learning Checkpoint prep, completion and data driven improvements made** **Specification Content** Religion & Life	**Seneca** Smart reassign revision	Learning Checkpoint – Paper 2 Religion & Life
21/09/2026	**AQA Religion, Peace & Conflict** Introduction to the course with links to previous KS3 learning (3 Lessons a week) Focus on; • Violence • Violent protests • Terrorism **Key Resources for the Unit** • Oxford textbook https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zbndy9q	**Seneca** 4.1.1 4.1.2 4.1.4 4.1.5 4.1.6 4.1.8 **Spellings & Keywords**	
28/09/2026	• Reasons for war • Nuclear war • Weapons of mass destruction	**Seneca** 4.1.9 4.1.10 4.1.12 **Exam Questions**	
05/10/2026	• The Just War Theory • Holy war	**Seneca** 4.1.13 4.1.14 4.1.15 4.1.16	
12/10/2026	• Pacifism • Religious responses to victims of war	**Seneca** Smart reassign revision	
19/10/2026	**End of Topic Learning Checkpoint prep, completion and data driven improvements made** **Specification Content** Religion, Peace & conflict	**Seneca** Smart reassign revision	Learning Checkpoint – Paper 2 Religion, Peace & Conflict
October Half Term			
02/11/2026	**AQA Religion, Crime & Punishment** 1.Introduction to the topic with links to previous KS3 learning (3 Lessons a week) Focus on; • Reasons people commit crimes • Law breakers and the different types of crimes	**Seneca** 5.1.1 5.1.2 5.1.3 5.1.5 5.1.6 **Spellings & Keywords**	**Core Mocks**

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09/11/2026	• Suffering and the causes of suffering	**Seneca** 5.1.9 5.1.11 **Exam Questions**	**Core Mocks**
16/11/2026	• The aims of punishment • The treatment of criminals; prison, corporal punishment and community service	**Seneca** 5.2.1 5.2.2 5.2.4 5.2.5	
23/11/2026	• Forgiveness	**Seneca** 5.2.6 5.2.8 **Exam Questions**	
30/11/2026	• The death penalty	**Seneca** 5.2.9 5.2.10 5.2.12	
07/12/2026	**End of Topic Learning Checkpoint prep, completion and data driven improvements made** **Specification Content** Religion, Crime & Punishment	**Seneca** End of Topic Revision/ Practice Questions	Learning checkpoint – Paper 2 Religion, Crime & Punishment
14/12/2026	**AR1 Assessment Prep and completion** **Specification Content** • Christianity Beliefs & Teachings Topic • Islam Beliefs & Teachings *Revision resources available on Teams.*	**Seneca** Smart reassign revision	
Christmas Break			
04/01/2027	**AR1 Assessment Prep and completion** **Specification Content** • Christianity Practices • Islam Practices *Revision resources available on Teams.*	**Seneca** Smart reassign revision	
11/01/2027	**AR1 Assessment Prep and completion** **Specification Content** • Christianity • Islam *Revision resources available on Teams.*	**Seneca** Smart reassign revision	**Full mocks**
18/01/2027	**AR1 Assessment Prep and completion** **Specification Content** • Religion & Life • Religion, Peace & Conflict *Revision resources available on Teams.*	**Seneca** Smart reassign revision	**Full mocks**
25/01/2027	**Data driven improvements to be made this week.**	**Seneca** Smart reassign revision	**Full mocks**
01/02/2027	**AQA Religion, Relationships & Families** Introduction to the course with links to previous KS3 learning (3 Lessons a week) Focus on; • Human sexuality • Sexual Relationships **Key Resources for the Unit** • Oxford textbook https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zbndy9q	**Seneca** 1.1.1 1.1.2 1.1.4 1.1.5 1.1.7	

08/02/2027	• Sexual relationships before and outside of marriage • contraception and family planning	**Seneca** 1.2.1 1.2.2 1.2.4 1.2.5	
February Half Term			
22/02/2027	• Religious attitudes towards marriage • Religious attitudes towards divorce • Religious attitudes towards remarriage	**Seneca** 1.3.1 1.3.2 1.3.4 1.5.1 1.5.3	
01/03/2027	• The nature of families • The purpose of families	**Seneca** 1.6.1 1.6.2 1.6.4 1.6.5	
08/03/2027	• Gender Equality	**Seneca** 1.7.1 1.7.2 1.7.4 1.7.5 1.7.6	
15/03/2027	**End of Topic Learning Checkpoint prep, completion and data driven improvements made** **Specification Content** Religion, Relationships and Families	**Seneca** Smart reassign revision	Learning Checkpoint – Paper 2 Religion, Relationships & Families

22/03/2027	**Data driven revision of Paper 1 topics this week**
	• Christianity
	  ○ Holy Trinity
	  ○ Sacraments
	  ○ Eucharist
		Seneca
		Smart reassign revision
		
		Exam Questions	

Easter Break			

12/04/2027	**Data driven revision of Paper 1 topics this week**
	• Islam
	  ○ Nature of God
	  ○ Predestination
	  ○ Prophets
		Seneca
		Smart reassign revision
		
		Exam Questions	

13/04/2027	**Data driven revision of Paper 2 topics this week**
	• Religion & Life
	  ○ Awe & Wonder
	  ○ Testing on Animals
	  ○ Sanctity of Life
		Seneca
		Smart reassign revision
		
		Exam Questions	

26/04/2027	**Data driven revision of Paper 2 topics this week**
	• Religion, Peace & Conflict
	  ○ Just War Theory
	  ○ Weapons of Mass Destruction
	• Religion, Crime & Punishment
	  ○ Reasons for crime
	  ○ Treatment of criminals
	  ○ Capital Punishment
		Seneca
		Smart reassign revision
		
		Exam Questions	

03/05/2027	**Data driven revision of Paper 1 topics this week** • Exam Question Structure recap and practice • Christianity • Islam	**Seneca** Smart reassign revision **Exam Questions**	
10/05/2027	AQA Paper 1 – The Study of religions: beliefs, teachings & practices – 13th May		GCSE EXAM
17/05/2027	AQA Paper 2 – Thematic Studies - 21st May		GCSE EXAM
24/05/2027			

May Half Term			
07/06/2026			
14/06/2026			
21/06/2026			
27/06/2026			
05/07/2027			
12/07/2027			