



How often do students in year 7 study RCS?

Year 7 students have 2 lessons of Religious and Citizenship Studies per fortnight, usually 1 lesson each week.

What topics do you learn about in this RCS in year 7?

Every year students in RCS complete two Religious Studies and two Citizenship Units. Year 7 is a fantastic and exciting year and in Religious Studies you will study 'Special Places' and 'Special Stories', relevant to both non-religious and religious individuals. From the Santiago Del Camino in northwest Spain to the River Ganges in India, you will have a great time enhancing your theological, historical and geographical knowledge.

The Citizenship unit 'My Body and Me' focuses on keeping you healthy, happy and safe, as well as developing your understanding of equality in society. We also explore the question, 'What makes Britain great?' by exploring the four fundamental British Values of Democracy, Respect and Tolerance, the Rule of Law and Individual Liberty.

What skills will you develop in this RCS during year 7?

In RCS, we encourage individuals to be respectful, tolerant citizens in society capable of fostering healthy relationships. We aim to provide students with the knowledge, skills and qualities they need to keep themselves healthy, safe and prepared for life and work beyond education. We also encourage students to be confident and mindful individuals who can listen, debate and reason.

Do you need any specialist equipment to study RCS?

You do not need any specialist equipment, although having a set of highlighters will help with our literacy tasks.

What is the best thing about studying RCS?

That there is often not a straightforward right or wrong answer! That we can think openly and debate freely.

Do you have any top tips for new year 7 students studying RCS?

Our number one rule is respect! We highly value that everyone has different beliefs, opinions and experiences and listening and sharing these respectfully will enable you to become an excellent RCS student!

Religious and Citizenship Studies
at Penistone Grammar School