



# SOCIAL SUBJECTS



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**Within the Social Subjects Department we offer Geography, History, Modern Studies and Travel & Tourism.**



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## GEOGRAPHY

Geography is the bridge between the physical and human sciences – exploring the impact that environments have on people and vice versa. It has never been more important to study; with climate change, migration and sustainability at the forefront of major global issues. You can study Geography at National 4 or 5, Higher and Advanced Higher and will learn about a range of topics from health, to how landscapes are formed, to the problems we face in our urban cities. Digital technology is used throughout and the diverse range of topics you look at means you will develop the skills, both practical and social, to make a positive impact in any job or career.



History is the study of the past, which is vitally important if we are to learn from past mistakes and triumphs to shape the future. In this subject, pupils will study important historical events and periods; critically examining sources and commenting on their impact on today's society. History can be studied at National 4 or 5 and Higher and will look at historical events related to Scotland, Britain, Europe and the World. From Nazi Germany, to the making of modern Britain, pupils will develop skills that are required throughout further education and research.

## HISTORY

## MODERN STUDIES

Modern Studies explores current political and social issues at a local, national and international level. From democracy in the Scotland, to crime in the UK and the role of world powers, such as the USA, each topic allows pupils to better understand the many social and political factors that impact lives around the planet. It develops the skills and worldview needed to successfully contribute towards a public or private sector role within employment. Pupils will enhance their ability to contribute effectively to society, as well as critically examine the way in which we are presented with news and facts.



## TRAVEL & TOURISM



This course is ideal for those who are interested in working in the travel industry, hospitality or in tourism. It is a skills for work course that is intended to get pupils thinking about employment opportunities and preparing you with the life skills needed for the outside world and when applying for jobs. It is offered at National 4 and 5 levels and can be studied further at college and university level. You will explore tourist destinations within Scotland and further afield, get hands on customer service experience and focus on what employers look for within the Travel & Tourism industry.

## POSSIBLE CAREER PATHWAYS

Architecture

Marketing

Finance

Geographical Information

Systems

Urban & Transport Planning

Charity & Aid work

Engineering

Media

Renewable Energy

International Development

Events Management

Travel Agent

Hospitality

Flight Attendant

Civil Service

Diplomatic Service

Social Work

Teaching

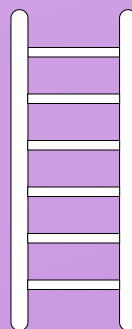
Journalism

Law

Emergency Services

Politics

Administration



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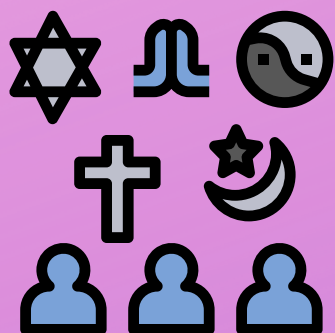




# RELIGIOUS & MORAL EDUCATION



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Within Religious and Moral Education (RME) we offer two courses; Religious, Moral and Philosophical Studies and Philosophy.

The skills used in each of these course complement each other and students will often take both throughout their time in the senior phase, along with the subjects offered within Social Subjects.

Within RME, pupils explore a range of topics , from religion to moral arguments to abstract ideas and problems. This instils a sense of responsibility and global citizenship in pupils which is essential in work and life beyond school.

## RMPS

This course gives you the opportunity to investigate the nature and scope of religion and morality and to consider philosophical viewpoints on religious and other stances for living in the modern world. It helps you to reflect on your own life experiences and develop your personal beliefs and values. In addition, you will gain knowledge and understanding of the different beliefs and values of others and the ability to express your opinions and give informed comment.



## CORE SOCIAL SUBJECTS

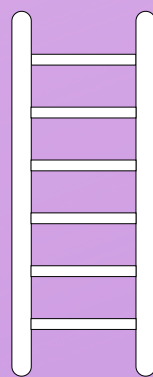


All S4 students will be able to add to their qualifications in their S4 CORE social subjects class one period a week. We will offer National 3 and 4 People & Society, Level 5 Scottish Studies and National 4 Religion, belief and values. These courses include opportunities for personalisation and choice as well as developing research and group work skills.

## POSSIBLE CAREER PATHWAYS

Media  
Social Care  
Teacher/Education  
Law  
Publishing

Politics  
Voluntary Sector  
Community Work  
Journalism  
Police



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