

Department Results, 2025-2026

Key Stage 3 - Religious Education

	Year 7 At or above the expected target	Year 8 At or above the expected target	Year 9 At or above the expected target
Ursuline	94%	99%	93%

Key Stage 4 - GCSE Religious Education

	9 - 7	9 - 5	9 - 4
RE Dept	44%	79%	86%

Key Stage 5

A-Level Religious Studies (Philosophy, Ethics and Theology)

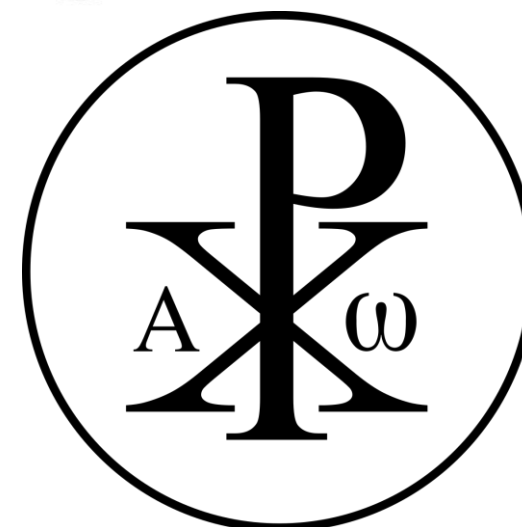
	A*-A	A*-B	A*-C
RE Dept	44%	83%	89%

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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Why Study Religious Education?

- Religious Education lies at the heart of life at Ursuline High School. As a Catholic school, we believe R.E. helps students explore some of life's most important questions while developing the knowledge, skills and confidence to think critically and express their views with clarity.

Our lessons are guided by two key questions:

- ***What can we learn about religion?***
- **What can we learn from religion?**

Rooted in the Catholic tradition and enriched through the study of other faiths and worldviews, Religious Education enables students to broaden their understanding of the world around them. Through discussion, debate and critical thinking, students learn to analyse complex ideas, respect different perspectives and present thoughtful, well-reasoned arguments.

Our Vision for Religious Education

At Ursuline High School, we aim to:

- Set ambitious goals and high expectations for every student.
- Deliver engaging and varied learning experiences that inspire active participation.
- Develop independent thinkers through Socratic questioning, dialogue and debate.
- Encourage students to reflect on their own beliefs, values and experiences.
- Foster respect, empathy and understanding within a diverse society.

Teaching and Learning

- Religious Education is a core subject for all students from **Year 7 to Year 11**, with three 50-minute lessons each week.
- All students in **Years 12 and 13** also participate in our compulsory **Core Religious Education Programme**, ensuring that faith, ethics and philosophy remain central throughout their educational journey.

How we support learning:

- Mixed-ability teaching in Years 7 and 8.
- Setting from Year 9, aligned with English groupings.
- Weekly homework to reinforce and extend learning.
- Online learning opportunities through the school's digital platforms.
- Dedicated revision sessions for examination classes during the Spring Term and Easter holidays.

Supporting Your Daughter at Home

Religious Education thrives on discussion and reflection. You can support your daughter by:

- Encouraging her to revisit class notes and exercise books when completing homework.
- Talking with her about what she is learning in lessons.
- Asking questions that encourage deeper thinking and reflection.
- Supporting her in forming and expressing her own opinions respectfully.
- Helping her develop confidence in discussion and debate.

What will students study in Year 7?

Year 7 students explore the following themes in line with the Religious Education Directory (RED) for Catholic schools in England:

- **The Ursuline Family:** Understanding Ursuline values, the meaning of *Serviam* ("I will serve"), and the significance of Jesus for Christians today.
- **Creation and Covenant:** God's relationship with humanity through Creation and key Biblical covenants.
- **Prophecy and Promise:** The role of prophets and God's promises throughout salvation history.
- **From Galilee to Jerusalem:** The life, teachings and mission of Jesus.
- **Desert to Garden:** The events of Holy Week and the Resurrection.
- **Dialogue and Encounter: Hinduism:** Hindu beliefs and practices, and the contribution of Hindu communities in London and beyond.

Serviam

- Religious Education at Ursuline is more than a subject. It helps students grow in faith, knowledge, confidence and compassion, equipping them to become thoughtful, reflective and responsible young women.