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Dear Year 10 Parent/Guardian,

Year 10 GCSE RE Pre-Public Exam (PPE) on Tuesday 18th November 2025

As you will be aware, your child in Year 10 will be completing their GCSE RE exam in May 2026. The whole cohort will be completing their formal GCSE RE Pre-Public Exam (PPE) on **Tuesday 18th November 2025**, **during Period 1**.

The GCSE RE PPE will be held in the Leisure Centre, alongside the Year 11 formal PPEs, and will feel as close to the real summer exam as possible. Those who normally have access arrangements will receive these in an appropriate space. The seat numbers and room numbers are available for students on Bromcom.

The PPE will examine two topics that will also be examined in May 2026. These are:

Full Course: Christian Beliefs, Religion and Life

Short Course: Christian Beliefs, Relationships and Families

It is essential that students revise and prepare for this exam robustly. Some students may wish to start their revision over the half term break. The following will help ensure your child is prepared for the PPE.

- Students have been informed about the PPE (and the units being examined) during their lessons. They are being assessed on one unit they have been studying recently, and one unit they studied in Year 9 (Christian Beliefs).
- All RE homework after half term will be focused on practical revision strategies for the PPE. However, Year 10 should be encouraged to go significantly beyond this allocated time if they are to prepare thoroughly.
- Two online RE revision sessions will run after half term. The details are attached. The revision sessions are focused exclusively on Christian Beliefs. This is a Year 9 taught unit that students are independently preparing for their PPE. Attendance at these online revision sessions is strongly encouraged.
- The resources for the units are also available on their Year 9 RE Google Classroom and so students should use this resource to support their revision.















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All students who were at FCC in Year 9 have been offered to collect their Year 9 folders (holding
all their study work on the topics above) prior to the half term break. Students will have a further
opportunity to access these folders when we return to school. Those who cannot locate their
folders at home, or were not at FCC in Year 9, should speak with their teacher to ensure they
receive replacement resources. These resources (study guide, resource pack and exercise book) are
an excellent revision resource also.

Prior to the PPE, students will discuss their **target grade** with their teachers. They will also be informed of the GCSE **examination rules**. These include:

- Only black pen can be used
- Phones should be left at home and cannot be brought into the exam hall
- No watches may be worn at all
- Items such as water or pencil case equipment must be brought in a clear container / case.

Please do not hesitate to be in touch with your child's RE teacher if you have any further questions,

Yours faithfully,

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