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Dear Parents/ Carers,

Subject Religious Education

I am writing to inform you that the Religious Education Department began delivering the content of the AQA short course GCSE RE in September 2023. This is a two year course that culminates when your child reaches the end of Year 10. We hope that all students will sit the GCSE short course then and will gain an early GCSE. In Year 11 RE is delivered through PSHE sessions and shared assemblies.

Students will sit their public examination in the summer of 2025. This is one exam paper which will be 1 hour and 45 minutes long. This course deals with many interesting and sensitive issues. It also gives pupils the opportunity to consider the big questions in life. The topics are broken down into four sections; these are: 'Relationships and the family', 'Peace and conflict' 'The Nature of God' and 'Muslim beliefs'.

The GCSE results in Religious Education at Vyners have been very good, with the 2022 results being 95% pass rate grades 9-4.

We hope that you will encourage your child in all their preparation for this early GCSE.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me or your son/daughter can see their Religious Education teacher.

Yours sincerely
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