

Philosophy A level Curriculum

		Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
	Y12	Epistemology What is knowledge? The tripartite view, Perception as a source of knowledge: Direct realism, Indirect Realism, Berkeley's Idealism Moral Philosophy Utilitarianism, Kantian deontological ethics.	Epistemology Reason as a source of knowledge: Innatism, Intuition and Deduction, The limits of knowledge Moral Philosophy Aristotelian Virtue Ethics, Applied Ethics: stealing, simulated killing,	Revision & Exam Skills Year 12 Introduction to Metaphysics of God and Metaphysics of Mind Understanding and use of philosophical terminology and the language of argumentation
		Metaphysics of God	Applied Ethics: stealing, simulated kining, eating animals, telling lies, Meta-ethics: moral realism, moral anti-realism. Metaphysics of God	Revision and exam skills
	Y13	The concept and nature of God: omniscience, omnipotence, omnibenevolence, timelessness, everlastingness, paradox of the stone, Euthyphro dilemma, free will, Existence of God: Ontological arguments, Teleological arguments, Cosmological arguments.	The Problem of Evil: nature of moral and natural evil, logical and evidential problems, Free Will Defence, soul-making theodicies, Religious language: Cognitivism and non- cognitivism, Logical Positivism, the 'University Debate' – Flew, Mitchell, Hare.	
		Metaphysics of Mind What do we mean by mind? Dualist theories: substance and property dualism,	Metaphysics of Mind Physicalist theories: physicalism, Mind-brain type identity theory, Eliminative materialism, Functionalism.	