MAGHULL HIGH SCHOOL – CURRICULUM MAP



HALF TERM 2 OCT-DEC	Area of Study – Arguments for God from observation	Area of Study – Arguments for God from reason	Area of Study – Problem of Evil
TOPIC (S) OCR Philosophy	Teleological Argument – Natural and Revealed Theology, context to design (Plato/Aristotle and Aquinas), William Paley and the Watchmaker, the Enlightenment, design qua purpose, design qua regularity, strengths and weaknesses, Hume, modern teleology – Tennent and Swinburne Cosmological Argument – Aristotle context, Aquinas' Five Ways, Cause, Motion, Contingency, Leibniz Argument and Principle of Sufficient Reason, Kalam version, Copleston and Russell debate, weaknesses – Hume, Kant, Russell	Ontological Argument – definition of God, understanding of rationalism and St Anselm. Analysis of the Proslogion and developments of Anselm's argument. Critiques from Kant, Russell, Gaunilo and developments of the argument through Descartes and Modal versions with Platinga and Malcolm.	Context – evil within the understanding of the theist interpretation of God. Knowledge – natural v moral evils, logical problem and rationalism v evidential problem and empiricism. Key challenges focusing upon theodicies – Augustinian and Irenaean. Developments through Hick and instrumental evils.
Assessment / Feedback Opportunities	 Consistent use of formative assessment within lesson Written tasks and oral contributions Summative essays 		
Cultural Capital	 Knowledge and its acquisition What is truth in relation to God Development of own beliefs/thoughts Rationalism v empiricism Understanding of challenging elements of existence and reactions to them 		
SMSC / Promoting British Values (Democracy, Liberty, Rule of Law, Tolerance & Respect)	 Tolerance and respect for all Religious freedom Democracy Liberty and individual thought 		
Reading opportunities	 Any Philosophy of Religion text OCR endorsed materials Knowledge focused publications 		
Key Vocabulary	See unit key word worksheet		
Digital Literacy	 Homework Wider individual research 		
Careers	Anything people related, for example the Police, the NHS, law, customer service. Highly regarded at Russell Group universities and leads to many academic undergraduate degree level courses.		