

How to pass: Higher RMPS

A guide for parents and carers



Essential information

What will my child study?	How can I support my child?
World Religion — Sikhism: beliefs about God, karma, equality and reunion; the Gurus, the Khalsa, service and worship. Morality and Belief — Crime and Justice: the causes of crime; purposes of punishment; sentencing and capital punishment. The religious and non-religious responses to the issues that arise. Religious and Philosophical Questions — The Existence of God: detailed analysis and evaluation of arguments, objections and contrasting responses.	Study support runs Tuesdays and Thursdays after school. All classroom resources are on Teams. Ask your child to show you the class materials, their latest feedback and the next step they are working on. If work is missing, confidence is low or Teams access is difficult, contact the class teacher through the school's usual route. Encourage attendance at study support.

How is the course assessed?

Assessment	Marks	Duration	2027 exam / school date
Paper 1 World Religion and Morality and Belief	60	2 h 15 min	Tue 27 April 2027 09:00–11:15
Paper 2 Religious and Philosophical Questions	20	45 min	Tue 27 April 2027 11:45–12:30
Assignment	30	1 h 30 min write-up	School will confirm the write-up date

There are 110 marks in total: the two exams contribute about 73% and the assignment about 27%. All three components are externally marked by Qualifications Scotland.

The assignment involves independent research and a supervised write-up. The resource sheet has a 250-word limit and must not contain continuous prose. Support planning; the assessed work must be their own.

Practical help at home

What can we do each week?	Where can we find reliable resources?
Agree short, regular study sessions. Focus on one point from teacher feedback and check that your child acts on it. Practise a timed paragraph or essay plan. Ask how the evidence supports the argument and how strong a competing view is; check the teacher's feedback and marking instructions. A five-minute conversation: Ask "Which view is most convincing, and why?" Then ask what might challenge it.	Past papers and marking instructions Select the correct subject and level; follow teacher advice for older papers. Marked examples: Understanding Standards Achieve — requires an account. Ask the teacher about access.  Course guidance sqa.org.uk/sqa/47911.html  Exam timetable sqa.org.uk/sqa/1439.html