

KING JAMES'S SCHOOL – INTEGRATED STUDIES

Integrated Studies at King James's School comprises of RS, PSHCE and more recently, Sociology. The department is a dynamic, well-established area that is facing exciting changes and developments, including involvement with Oxford University's Myriad Mindfulness research and the recognition of the school as a PSHE Chartered School.



Democracy in Action session at Huddersfield Town Hall – March 2018

Staffing

Currently the Integrated Studies team includes three specialist staff:

Abigail Terry	Head of Integrated Studies and Assistant Principal
Elizabeth Atkinson	Head of PSHCE, PSHE Chartered teacher and Second in Department
Eleanor Higson	Teacher of Integrated Studies

In addition to this, a number of Humanities staff also teach PSHCE:

Ian Williamson	Head of Humanities and History
Kim McGill	Head of Geography
David Chew	Geography
Andrew Millington	Geography

Accommodation

The Integrated Studies team have exclusive use of two rooms, each with a Promethean Interactive Whiteboard, along with a small office space.

Resources

The Integrated Studies department has a wide variety of resources, the vast majority of them created in house to support the range of units studied. They include:-

- Textbooks
- Interactive Whiteboard
- DVD / video clip resource bank
- Artefacts
- Flexi-cams

Examination Results

All students follow the GCSE Religious Studies course, with many taking the exam. The RS GCSE results for the last four years are:-

Year	A* - C	A* - A	A* - G
2017	52%	7%	100%
2016	80%	14%	100%
2015	92%	25%	100%
2014	66%	23%	100%

GCSE Sociology is a new course with the first cohort completing their exams in 2018.

Time Allocation

The school operates a 30-period weekly timetable.

In Years 7-9, all students have with one lesson each of Religious Studies and PSHCE.

In Year 10, GCSE Sociology and GCSE RS have three lessons per week each as options, while PSHCE has one lesson a week.

In Year 11, GCSE Sociology has three lessons per week as an option, while PSHCE and RS have one lesson a week.

GCSE curriculum

The GCSE RS course currently follows the AQA GCSE RS (A) focusing on Christianity, Islam, Peace and Conflict, Relationships and Families, Crime and Punishment, and Human Rights and Social Justice.

The GCSE Sociology course currently follows the Eduqas syllabus looking at key concepts and processes of cultural transmission, families, education, sociological research methods, social differentiation and stratification, crime and deviance and applied methods of sociological enquiry.

Extra Curricular / Extension Activities

The departments run a wide variety of extra-curricular/extension activities. Each year group is involved.

- Revision classes
- Fuse Club – lunchtime club run by a local youth worker.
- Diversity Group – for LGBT+ students

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