



# FOREST HILL SCHOOL

#### MAKING A DIFFERENCE

SPECIALIST SCHOOL IN THE PERFORMING ARTS

### Religion, English and Psychology Faculty - Overview

The Religion, English and Psychology Faculty (REPP) also run sixth-form Film and Media courses. As key literary disciplines, the common goal across our Faculty is to instil outstanding communication skills in our students by nurturing and developing their reading, writing, and research skills. We seek to equip pupils with key life skills and interests for both inside and outside the classroom.

Through the use of new approaches and technology to educate our students, we aim to invoke a lifelong love for the subjects we teach. The faculty curriculum has been tailored to intersect with the interests of our boys, while teaching is of a high level in order to best prepare students academically going into Key Stage 4. This balance between academic expectation and engagement is central to our approach as a faculty, where we nurture and celebrate student success through a culture of support and high standards.

Staff members regularly share lesson resources and best practice for use in each other's classrooms as part of a collaborative approach aimed to optimise the talents of our hard-working team. We insist on a high level of lesson planning, marking, feedback and rigorous assessment for meaningful student impact. Our teachers commonly go above and beyond to mentor our boys in key study and professional skills, as well as in linking lessons to their lives. Pupils in Year 7, 8, and 9 also have a weekly lesson in our well-stocked library, and can engage in various reading competitions designed by our dedicated school librarians to support literacy outside the classroom.

Students have the opportunity to join the 'Ambassadors' club, where they can organise creative writing and English-related competitions for the rest of the student body. Elsewhere, the Student Newspaper is run by members of the Faculty, allowing boys to organise, research and write for, as well as print and distribute a bi-termly newsletter.

Every lesson makes the most of our spacious and modern classrooms, which are fully resourced to meet your teaching requirements. As a faculty, we have access to laptops, iPads, and a range of other resources to be used to support pupil progress.

### Curriculum

| KS3                   | KS4                      | KS5 (jointly with Sydenham Girls) |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Y7,Y8 and Y9: English | GCSE English             | A-Level English Literature        |
| 3 hrs per week        | GCSE Religious Education | A-Level Media Studies             |
| Y7 and Y8: RE         | GCSE Psychology          | A-Level Film Studies              |
| 1 hr per week         |                          | A-Level Psychology                |
|                       |                          | A-Level Religious Education       |

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# **Faculty Postholder Structure**

