

Wednesday 15th January 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

GCSE Religious Studies - Candle Conference 31st January 2020

Our students have a fantastic opportunity to attend a Candle Conference event at St John the Baptist church in Newcastle on Friday 31st January.

Salvation is a brand new student event for students studying GCSE Religious Studies specifications in 2019-20. The event has been carefully designed to enrich and extend Year 10-11 students' knowledge & understanding and support the development of strong skills in analysis and evaluation. It will Cover topics specified by the exam board for GCSE Religious Studies as part of the Christianity: Beliefs and Teachings and the most popular Thematic Studies modules, reference will also be made to Islam and Judaism during the day, helping students to think laterally and extend their understanding. At the conference students will receive a 32 page printed notes booklet, packed with information and activities to further support their learning and revision for their upcoming GCSE exams in May this year.

The cost of a student ticket for this event would normally be £15.00 but the school will be subsidising this therefore reducing the cost to students to £10.00.

Students will be required to make their own way to Newcastle and Mrs Ross will meet them outside Central Train Station at 9:00am. The event finishes at 3:30pm and students can be picked up from there or make their way home.

Students will need to bring a packed lunch with a drink and a bottle of water for the day. Students who receive free school meals will be provided with a school packed lunch.

Students must be in school uniform for the visit. Please be advised that all personal belongings including money, cameras and any electrical items are not covered by the school's insurance and are the responsibility of the individual students. We strongly recommend valuable items are left at home. We also reserve the right to withdraw your son/daughter from the visit due to poor behaviour.

We know that your son/daughter will gain from this fantastic and academically valuable opportunity. Consent for this visit will be covered by our school's master consent form. Should you have any questions or queries regarding this visit please feel free to contact me.

Yours faithfully

Mrs M Ross

Head of REAL and Religious Studies
