

# PHILOSOPHY

## Why should I study Philosophy?

To succeed in the study of Philosophy students must enjoy asking complex questions. An inquisitive mind, and an interest in challenging concepts, is expected of our students at post-16 level. Students must attend all lessons fully prepared to engage in class discussions and to contribute to the learning of others. Philosophy provides an excellent grounding for further study in philosophy, politics, economics, law, medicine, education, history, journalism, sociology, cultural studies, theology, business and management. The subject enables students to develop skills of evaluation, analysis and critical thinking while encouraging independent thought. Philosophy also provides a good opportunity for students to improve speaking and listening skills which will benefit any further study.

## Bolingbroke is best for Philosophy because..

Philosophy lessons will be delivered by subject specialists, within a seminar style structure. This enables our students to have a depth of learning about the subject, and develop skills that are crucial for study in higher education. Skills of analysis and evaluation, as well as speaking and listening, are developed through the examination of arguments in group discussion. Essay writing skills will be developed in class, self-study and through rigorous teacher and peer assessment. Additional learning methods offered to students are Philosophy

for Communities (P4C), opportunities to prepare lessons for others, group work, use of ICT and other media sources and investigations of the extensive books, journals and other resources.

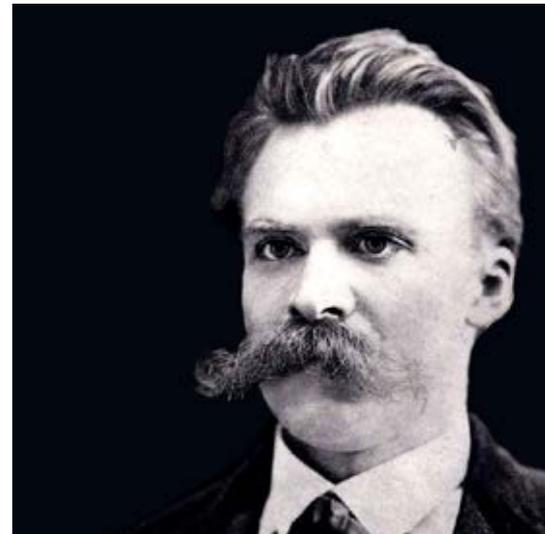
## What will I study?

You will study a variety of thought-provoking components of philosophical studies, following the AQA Philosophy course.

- Epistemology
- Moral Philosophy
- Metaphysics of God
- Metaphysics of mind

## Additional activities within this subject

- Students will have the opportunities to attend conferences to help further their studies, such as workshops with the renowned philosopher Peter Vardy.
- Outside speakers and philosophers will also be invited to Bolingbroke for talks and workshops.



## What our students say

“Philosophy will make you question everything, but studying it at Bolingbroke will help you discover the answers.”

Class of 2019 student