

Scheme of Work

Life to the Full Secondary

Year 7

	Core Theme	Session Title	Description
Session 1	Religious Understanding	Who Am I?	Our core identity is that each of us is a completely unique person, a unity of body and soul, created and loved by God.
Session 2	My Body	Changing Bodies	Puberty involves physical, emotional and sexual development. Daunting though it can be, it is part of God's plan for us.
Session 3	Emotional Well-Being	Healthy Inside And Out	Thinking about self-esteem helps us consider its impact and how to nurture it.
Session 4	Life Cycles	Where We Come From	Sexual intercourse is revealed as more than just a physical act, but a gift from God for married couples, an expression of love and His plan for how babies are made.
Session 5	Personal Relationships	Family and Friends	Reflecting on different types of friendship and family structure opens up strategies for managing behaviour through consideration of thoughts, feelings and actions.
Session 6	Keeping Safe	My Life on Screen	Online lives need safeguarding, just like in real life.
Session 7	Wider World	Living Responsibly	Becoming aware of the effects of actions on others helps us understand the concept of social responsibility.

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Year 8

	Core Theme	Session Title	Description
Session 1	Religious Understanding	Created and Chosen	Becoming aware of our uniqueness can help us open up to God who is the ground of our being and the One who loves us.
Session 2	My Body	Appreciating Differences	Understanding our identity means appreciating male/female differences and learning to accept the invitation from God to root our identity in who he created us to be.
Session 3	Emotional Well-Being	Feelings	Managing sexual feelings requires self-control, self-respect and patience.
Session 4	Life Cycles	Before I Was Born	Contemplating life in the womb reveals that it is both beautiful and fragile.
Session 5	Personal Relationships	Tough Relationships	In the real world of relationships, we can always be better at living with tolerance, kindness and forgiveness.
Session 6	Keeping Safe	Think Before You Share	Image sharing and anything in word, speech or action that reduces people to objects dishonours their God-given dignity.
Session 7	Wider World	Wider World	Recognizing the sin of unjust discrimination in our world helps us challenge and change our own behaviour in school and in our everyday life.

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Year 9

	Core Theme	Session Title	Description
Session 1	Religious Understanding	The Search for Love	Beyond romantic feelings and desires, there is a deeper kind of love based on a decision to sacrifice for the good of the other.
Session 2	My Body	Love People, Use Things	Consumerism can lead to objectification and this could cause us to treat people the way we treat things.
Session 3	Emotional Well-Being	In Control of My Choices	Desire and attraction can affect the decisions made in relationships and effort and perseverance are needed to prevent them be dominated by lust.
Session 4	Life Cycles	Fertility and Contraception	Fertility is a gift and responsibility and consideration is given to how methods for managing conception fit with God's plan for sex.
Session 5	Personal Relationships	Commitment and Marriage	Commitment can take on many forms in different relationships, including sexual relationships and marriage.
Session 6	Keeping Safe	Understanding Consent	Consent is not just gaining permission for something but involves complexities in both its giving and receiving.
Session 7	Wider World	Human Rights - And Wrongs	Sexual exploitation brings to light our human rights and responsibilities and the ways they are violated by sexual harassment, assault and rape.

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Year 10

	Core Theme	Session Title	Description
Session 1	Religious Understanding	Authentic Freedom	Making a loving gift of self is an ideal worth holding out for, one which leads to real freedom.
Session 2	My Body	Self-Image	Understanding our dignity allows us to appreciate our bodies in the right way.
Session 3	Emotional Well-Being	Beliefs, Values, Attitudes	Making good moral choices depends on building confidence, integrity and understanding.
Session 4	Life Cycles	Parenthood	While we sometimes take parents for granted, parenthood impacts us in so many ways. It is the responsibility of a lifetime.
Session 5	Personal Relationships	Pregnancy and Abortion	Pregnancy is an invitation to discover the challenge of responding with love to the gift of life.
Session 6	Keeping Safe	Abuse	Abuse in relationships is incompatible with our dignity and calls for vigilance and compassion.
Session 7	Wider World	Solidarity	Love means building peace and living in solidarity with all of God's creation, in particular the poor, marginalised and oppressed.

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Year 11

	Core Theme	Session Title	Description
Session 1	Religious Understanding	Self-Worth	This session invites pupils to consider how they respect themselves and others, and the role God can play within that.
Session 2	My Body	Addiction	In this session, pupils hear the story of Dina, who overcame severe drug addiction through the help of family, community, responsibility and faith.
Session 3	Emotional Well-Being	Eating Disorders	This session invites pupils to consider their own deepest needs and the complexities and contradictions within themselves.
Session 4	Life Cycles	Birth Control	This session holds fertility up as a precious gift to be protected, nurtured and valued.
Session 5	Personal Relationships	Pornography	This session looks at 'adult content' in an adult way: asking questions about how it affects people's behaviour, how it affects the way people think about themselves, others and their relationships.
Session 6	Keeping Safe	STIs	In this session, pupils meet Bobbi, who was raised in East London with strong Indian cultural values. She describes how she felt torn between two worlds: wanting to push boundaries, but also feeling a lot of pressure to not bring shame on her culture, her community and her family.
Session 7	Wider World	Coercive Control	In this final session of the Year 11 programme, Mairi and Nathan explain how we are a social species: isolation is not in our nature. Our longing for intimate, exclusive relationships is a beautiful thing, but one that can make us vulnerable.