

Request to Withdraw a Child from Religious Education (RE)

Child's Name: _____

Class: _____ Date: _____

Dear Headteacher,

I wish to request that my child be withdrawn from Religious Education (RE), in accordance with my legal rights under the Education Act 1996.

I understand that Religious Education at this school is an academic subject that explores Christianity as a diverse, global living faith alongside a range of religions, worldviews and ways of life. The curriculum develops pupils' religious literacy, critical thinking, respect for diversity and understanding of the beliefs and values of others.

I confirm that I have been offered the opportunity to discuss this request with the Headteacher and understand the aims and content of the Religious Education curriculum.

Please indicate your request:

☐ I wish my child to be withdrawn from all Religious Education lessons.

☐ I wish my child to be withdrawn from part of the Religious Education curriculum.

If requesting a partial withdrawal, please give details:

I understand that while my child is withdrawn from Religious Education, the school will provide appropriate supervision but is not required to provide alternative Religious Education or alternative curriculum content.

Parent / Carer Declaration

I confirm that I wish to withdraw my child from Religious Education.

Parent/Carer Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

School Use Only

Date request received: _____

Meeting held with Headteacher: _____

Date of meeting: _____

Withdrawal effective from: _____

Review date: _____

Headteacher Signature: _____