Right to Withdraw from Religious Education (RE)

Your right to withdraw your child

Parents and carers have a legal right to withdraw their child, wholly or partly, from receiving religious education (RE) given in the school in accordance with the school's basic curriculum, and from attendance at religious worship in the school.

You do not have to give a reason for your request to withdraw your child from RE. However, we encourage you to discuss your decision with us so we can provide you with full information about our RE curriculum and how it respects all personal beliefs.

How to request withdrawal

If you wish to withdraw your child from RE lessons, please contact the Headteacher in writing. You can do this by:

- Sending a letter to the school office
- Emailing office@woodbridgeprimary.suffolk.sch.uk

We will arrange a meeting with you to:

- Discuss your request
- Explain what is taught in our RE curriculum
- Answer any questions you may have
- Discuss arrangements for your child during RE lessons

What happens during RE lessons if my child is withdrawn?

The school has a duty to supervise any pupils who have been withdrawn from RE, but not to provide additional teaching that is not RE or incur extra cost. We will ensure your child is appropriately supervised and engaged in suitable alternative activities during RE lessons.

Trips to places of worship

Parents and carers have a right to withdraw their child from any trip that is part of the RE curriculum. If you have concerns about a planned visit, we welcome the opportunity to discuss this with you and explain how the trip links to your child's learning.

Further information

For more information about our RE curriculum or to discuss withdrawal from RE, please contact: Miss Emma Stokes via the school email address.