



Bishop Bridgeman Church of England Primary School

Withdrawal From Religious Education Policy

POLICY : WITHDRAWAL FROM R.E.

Rationale :

The governors recognise parental rights to withdraw their children from R.E. lessons in accordance with the 1988 Education Reform Act.

Aims :

There are several steps that need to be taken to make the process safe, efficient and incorporated into the smooth running of the school.

Guidelines :

If parents wish to withdraw their child/children from RE lessons they need to :

- ♦ Make contact with the school in person or by letter.
- ♦ Establish with the Head Teacher their concerns and whether they intend partial or total withdrawal for their child/children.
- ♦ Establish with the Head Teacher the practical implication of withdrawal.

It is not envisaged that establishing the reason and practicalities be either lengthy or a means to change parents minds, but it may necessitate a brief visit to school.

Parents of withdrawn children will be asked to provide suitable alternative work of a religious nature for their children for the R.E. period. It will not be the responsibility of the teacher either to set or mark alternative work.

Withdrawn children will be allocated to different classes on an independent basis in order to ensure suitable supervision. These arrangement may need to change from week to week.

Conclusion :

By following these guidelines, the withdrawal of children from R.E. will be clear, efficient and safe for the children.

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