Right to Withdraw from Religious Education (RE)

Parents have the legal right to withdraw their child from all or part of RE lessons. To do this, please inform the school in writing by sending a letter or email to the school office. This will be followed up with a discussion with the Headteacher.

While we respect this right, we encourage parents to consider the benefits of RE:

- **Respect and Understanding**: RE helps children respect others and understand different views and beliefs.
- **Global Awareness**: It improves the childrens' knowledge of global affairs and diverse cultures.
- **Personal Development**: RE supports the development of ethical standards, personal happiness, and well-being.
- Community Building: It helps avoid extremism and religious discrimination, contributing to a more cohesive community.
- Critical Thinking: RE encourages critical thinking and moral judgment.

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If you decide to withdraw your child, please note that the school will supervise your child during RE lessons, but will not provide extra teaching. According to Church of England guidance, parents may need to make alternative arrangements for RE that aligns with their beliefs if they wish.