Right to Withdraw from Religious Education

Parents and carers have a legal right to withdraw their child from religious education (RE) lessons at St Leonard's CofE Primary School. We respect this right and will grant any such requests given in writing.

While parents and carers don't have to give a reason for withdrawal, we encourage you to discuss your decision with us first. We want to ensure you're fully aware of our RE curriculum, which is designed to be relevant to all pupils and encourages understanding and respect of many faiths. We'd welcome the opportunity to meet with you to discuss our RE curriculum so you can make an informed decision.

Your responsibilities if you withdraw your child

If you choose to withdraw your child from RE, please be aware of the following:

Supervision arrangements: The school has a duty to supervise any pupils withdrawn from RE, but we're not required to provide additional teaching or incur extra costs. We cannot ask parents to supervise their children during RE lessons if they're withdrawn.

School trips: Parents and carers also have the right to withdraw their child from any trip that is part of the RE curriculum. However, we would encourage you to discuss any concerns about trips with us first, as these visits often provide valuable learning experiences.

If you would like to discuss withdrawing your child from RE, or if you have any questions about our RE curriculum, please contact the school office to arrange a meeting.