

Right of Withdrawal

RE teaching at Kings Meadow Academy is inclusive and wide-ranging, exploring a range of religious and non-religious worldviews. However, in the UK, parents have the right to withdraw their children from RE on the grounds that they wish to provide their own religious education. (School Standards and Framework Act 1998 S71).

If you wish to withdraw your child from RE teaching, or any part of the RE curriculum, please make an appointment with the headteacher in school. Kings Meadow Academy does not support selective withdrawal from RE. We have a duty to supervise pupils withdrawn from RE, though not to provide additional teaching or to incur extra cost. Where the pupil has been withdrawn, alternative arrangements will be made for RE of the kind the parents/guardians wish the pupil to receive. These arrangements will be made by the parents/guardians. The school is not expected to make these arrangements. This RE could be provided at the school in question, or by another school in the locality. If neither approach is practicable, the pupil may receive external RE teaching as long as the withdrawal does not significantly impact on the child's attendance.