

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION POLICY

The Religious Education course follows the locally agreed Gloucestershire syllabus and takes into account the guidelines of the Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education (SACRE).

The curriculum reflects the fact that the religious traditions in the UK are, in the main, Christian while taking account of the teaching and practices of the other principal religions represented in the UK. Studying Religious Education at KLB is to explore what different people believe and what difference this makes to how they live, so that pupils can gain the knowledge, understanding and skills needed to handle questions raised by religion, belief, and worldviews reflecting on their own ideas and ways of living.

Religious Education is a part of the timetabled curriculum for all students in Years 7 to 11.

Parents and carers have a right to withdraw their children from Religious Education and from any acts of collective worship. Any such requests must be made by parents or carers, in writing, to the Headteacher.

The age, aptitude, family background and faith of the students is taken into consideration when planning Year Group assemblies. As appropriate, assemblies and planned tutor group activities should provide the opportunity for all students to:

- reflect on values that are broadly of a Christian nature and on their own beliefs
- develop a community spirit, a common ethos and shared values
- consider spiritual and moral issues

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