

Religious Education

Religious education (RE) is an important curriculum subject, but is not part of the National Curriculum (new or old), as it exists as a consequence of a legal requirement for collective worship in schools. It is important in its own right and also makes a unique contribution to the spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of pupils and supports wider community cohesion. The government is keen to ensure all pupils receive high-quality RE.

The publication linked below explains how to support the provision of high-quality RE in maintained schools in England. It provides non-statutory guidance about RE in the curriculum and the roles of those who have a responsibility for, involvement in or interest in the subject.

The document does not constitute an authoritative interpretation of the law, which is a matter for the courts. It does however include:

- the importance of RE
- the legal framework, rights and responsibilities
- guidance on providing high-quality RE
- good practice for school governors and headteachers
- good practice for people who manage, plan, teach and support RE
- support for RE
- further references

Download by clicking here: [Religious education in English schools: non-statutory guidance](#)

At Oakington C of E Primary School we follow the Cambridgeshire Agreed Syllabus and further details are available from the school.