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Dear Parents, Carers and Members of our Community,

We are writing on behalf of Warwickshire Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education (SACRE) to highlight an important and valuable aspect of your child's education.

Religious Education (RE) plays a vital role in helping pupils understand the diverse beliefs, values and traditions that shape our society. One of the most powerful ways to support this learning is through visits to places of worship and engagement with local faith communities across the area.

These experiences enable pupils to bring their classroom learning to life. They provide valuable opportunities to ask questions, develop curiosity, and build critical thinking skills in a respectful and supportive environment. Through these encounters, children gain a deeper understanding of both their own beliefs and those of others.

Religious Education also prepares pupils for life beyond school. As young people growing up in an increasingly interconnected and global society, they need the knowledge, skills and confidence to engage positively with the wider world and the international community. Learning about different faiths and worldviews equips them to thrive in diverse environments and contribute thoughtfully to society.

We warmly encourage parents, carers, and members of our community to support this important work. You may wish to share your own experiences, contribute to school activities, or help children reflect on what they have learned.

Kind regards

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