

DERBY CITY COUNCIL
STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL ON RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (SACRE)

**APPLICATION FOR DETERMINATION (SECTION 394,
EDUCATION ACT 1996)**

NAME OF SCHOOL Dale Community Primary School

This is an application for a review of an existing determination from
2007

This application relates to the whole school.

Please answer the following questions:

1. Why is a determination (or the continuation of a determination) being sought?

We have 548 pupils currently on roll.

	Number	Number as %
Buddhist	3	1
Christian	29	5
Hindu	7	1
Jehovah's Witness	3	1
Muslim	433	79
No Religion	33	6
Roman Catholic	17	3
Sikh	23	4

Parents are aware through our prospectus and on our website that the school has a current determination.

As a result of this declaration no parent has requested that pupils are removed from assemblies.

Parent governors have been very clear with the school at the recent Governors meeting that this would not be the case should our determination be changed.

2. Does the decision to apply for a determination have widespread support among parents, pupils, Governors and staff?

The determination has wide spread support from all staff in school. At the governors meeting held on 27th September the issue was discussed and the school was instructed to apply for a new determination. Parent governors were fully supportive of the decision.

3. How will the decisions be made and recorded, on the balance of material used from different faith traditions, within collective worship, and what practical arrangements will be made for the conduct of collective worship?

School holds daily acts of collective worship. These take the form of whole school assemblies and class assemblies. The assemblies reflect our community and stories from all traditions are used to enhance pupils understanding. As a school in the heart of the community we use our assemblies to reflect the responsibility of all who live and work in the area to reflect in a sense of pride on the strengths of the faith they bring into the community. We celebrate the diversity of the community. We celebrate and explore the main religious events for each religious group. Our community assemblies for parents are well attended by all parental groups.

Throughout the year we have a planned structure to our assemblies based around the SEALS materials. Topics are introduced in assemblies that can then be explored further in class time. We also invite local visitors into school who reflect their faith in their stories and presentations. We have a member of staff in school who takes responsibility for ensuring that the balance of our assemblies is managed appropriately

Signed L. Sullivan Head teacher

Signed _____ Chair of Governors

Date

Date on which Governing Body was consulted
Please return the completed form to:

27/9/12

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