

November 2025

Dear Parent/Carer,

The RE Team are organizing and collaborating with the Derby Open Centre (<http://www.derbyopencentre.org/>) to provide students with an enriched religious experience of three places of worship, including a Hindu temple, Mosque and Sikh Gurdwara. It is linked to the Staffordshire Agreed Syllabus for Religious Education and will support the student's learning on 'Promoting British Values' through showing tolerance and mutual respect.

The main purpose of this trip is to ensure students have an understanding of the diversity of religious traditions, practices, and forms of worship found in our country. Please be assured that under no circumstances will any pupil be asked to participate in any aspect of worship or be required to compromise their own faith or beliefs during this study visit.

Places of worship have a dress code, so students will need to dress appropriately. For our visit to the places of worship, the dress code for students will be their normal school uniform to represent the Academy. The cost of the day trip is £18.93. This will include coach travel to and from Derby, access to the Open Centre and to three places of religious worship.

Date including groupings	Thursday 26 th March 2026 – 5LT, 5SB Tuesday 14 th April 2026 – 5RA, 5LGS Thursday 16 th April 2026 – 5CH, 5CB
Departure time	9:00am
Return time and place	3:15pm
Pupils should bring with them	Pencil case and packed lunch.
Clothing	Pupils should wear usual school uniform and for walking outside: a waterproof coat and a hat
Medication	Please bring into reception any medication that will be required during this visit.
Cost	£18.93 payment by Friday 6 th March 2026
Terms and Conditions of the booking	Please note that St Edward's Church of England Academy continues to reserve the right to refuse participation on any educational, sporting or leisure visit on the grounds of Health and Safety, which may or may not be related to behavior. Any pupil whose behavior becomes unacceptable may be excluded from the visit and any expenses will be the responsibility of their parents or carers.

Yours Sincerely

Mrs Jennifer Arnott
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