

Secondary School Inspection Reports for Religious Education

Risca Comprehensive School – inspected March 2008

Standards in RE

KS3 : Grade 3 (good features outweigh shortcomings)

KS4 : Grade 3 (good features outweigh shortcomings)

KS3 Shortcomings:

- A significant minority of pupils lacks a secure understanding of religious ideas. With some their recollection is uncertain; with others their understanding is superficial.
- A significant minority of pupils shows limited skills of exploring their understanding of religious ideas and responding to new knowledge. Their ability to speak at length giving extended answers is limited.

KS4 Shortcomings:

- A significant minority of pupils shows limited skills of exploring their understanding and responding to new knowledge about religion. Their ability to give extended answers is limited.
- A significant minority of pupils finds difficulty in managing their own learning in religious education. Their ability to judge their own performance and identify targets for improvement is limited.

Spiritual and moral: Pupils make good progress in their spiritual, moral, social and cultural development. The comprehensive PSE programme, class-tutor periods and assemblies make a very positive contribution to pupils' moral, social and spiritual development.

Collective Worship: The school complies with the statutory requirements of a daily act of collective worship.

Progress since the last inspection: The school is now meeting statutory requirements in respect of a daily act of collective worship.

Recommendation: Continue to raise standards by addressing the shortcomings in subjects identified in this report.