



**THE BRITISH SCHOOL
IN THE NETHERLANDS**

BSN Statement on the Teaching of Religion

The British School in the Netherlands is a secular and inclusive school and welcomes and respects the rights and freedoms of individuals from all religions and faiths (or with none). The BSN recognises that many members of the community have a commitment to their own faith (including learners) but does not promote any one faith.

The BSN recognises the significance of religion in many people's lives by celebrating and explaining the meaning of various religious festivals. This occurs through the curriculum, particularly in PSHE teaching and school events such as cultural lunches and assemblies. Any teaching about religion takes place to help learners develop their understanding and respect for the beliefs of others. Social, moral, spiritual and cultural education is woven into the school's ethos, character and activities in many ways, for instance, in the events organised for charity and in the 'Creativity, Activity, Service' element of the International Baccalaureate.

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