

Fw: Children's Book on Freedom of Religion and Belief

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Best Regards

John Hamill

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From: John Hamill [REDACTED] on behalf of John Hamill

Sent: 18 November 2017 22:31

To: Corran College

Subject: Children's Book on Freedom of Religion and Belief

Dear Principal,

I am pleased to announce that Atheist Ireland has published a new children's book on the Freedom of Religion and Belief. As the most recent census clearly shows, the population of Ireland is rapidly becoming much more diverse, and no doubt your school has noticed these changes.

Do you consider your school to be inclusive of those from all faiths and none? If so, including this new book on the Freedom of Religion and Belief in your library, will provide an excellent resource for your pupils and teachers alike.

The new Atheist Ireland book for school children is titled "*Is My Family Odd About Gods?*". The book is not about atheism and does not promote atheism. Rather, it is intended to provide some useful context and comfort, for children who may be confused by hearing different messages about religion in different places (for example, in their classroom as compared to their home). In this way, the book offers a tangible welcome to all minorities, who may not share the prevailing religiosity of their community. It will also help all pupils enrolled in your school, to understand the value of appreciating different world views and perspectives.

You can view a free preview of the book [here](#), which includes the first chapter and the table of contents. If you'd like to read the entire book, you can obtain a full copy on either [iBooks](#) or [Kindle](#). Alternatively, if you would like to order some hard copies of the book, then please do so by visiting [this](#) web page, or by replying to me directly at the this email address (oddaboutgods@atheist.ie).

In addition, Atheist Ireland is keen to measure the level of acceptance across the Irish education system, for ideas like the Freedom of Religion and Belief. If your school already provides access to some books on this topic, then I would be very grateful if you could respond to me at the same email address [redacted] and indicate which books you currently use to promote the Freedom of Religion and Belief.

Many thanks in advance for taking the time to consider this issue and respond to me.

Best Regards,

John Hamill,

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