

Feedback from **Bringing RE to Life the GCSE RE** Conference

Over 80 people attended on 29th June 2017 at Grafton Manor Hotel

Evaluation forms highlighted what delegates...

Enjoyed:

- Meeting colleagues and sharing ideas
- Getting interesting ideas
- They were inspired to do more trips
- Enjoyed the Teach Meet
- Got new ideas and resources

Would have liked:

- More time on the Teachmeet
- More time to network
- More time with the faith experts
- Bit of a mixed response on faith expert sessions – Islam in particular would have been better if it hadn't had been split between 2 people.

What they want to see covered at next conference:

- Marking and moderation
- A-Level
- Longer TeachMeet
- Teaching Students vocabulary
- GCSE Assessment
- KS3
- Transition from KS2 – KS3
- A-Level Christianity

Scale of 1 to 4, 1 = High Score and 4 = Low

All figures are in percentages. 2% represents approximately 1 person.

	1 (High)	2	3	4 (Low)
Keynote 1: Brining the new RE GCSE to Life.	74	22	4	
Keynote 2: Teaching Islam & Handling Difficult Issues	70	22	8	
Workshop: Meet the faith experts	78	14	8	2 (Due to 1 workshop leader not turning up)
Keynote 3: Getting Pupils into Texts	80	12	8	
Teach Meet	82	16		
How useful did you find the conference overall?	90	8	2	

"All keynote speakers were excellent, good strategies and ideas for the classroom. Getting pupils into sacred texts was helping when thinking of deeper engagement and in a cross curricular nature." Julie Knowles, Ryburn Valley

"I thought the day was fantastic and I have been inspired by the teaching ideas shown. I have also sourced some of the wonderful resources shown to us and so it has had a direct impact on my knowledge and teaching." Miss L Griffiths, Dudley

"Tips for the new GCSE teaching and ensuring academic rigour" Emily Parks, Southam College,

"Being able to meet the experts, I would have loved to carry on our discussions, really interesting" Dama Rawlings, Millbrook Academy.

"Bringing the new RS GCSE to life, meeting other colleagues, sharing some interesting ideas and thinking outside of the box" Sarah Wheeler, Swanshurst School, Birmingham.

"Excellent talk from Dr. Chris Hewer answering our incisive question eloquently and brilliant ideas shared during the TeachMeet" Kirty Hollinger, Ryburn Valley.

Twitter responses on the day...

Brilliant keynote by [@sfpett](#) on ways to get kids interested in texts. What a story is called has an impact on how it is read [#REtolife17](#)

Discussing [#Islamophobia](#) and how to deal with it when teaching [#re #REtolife17 @ethicsgrrr!](#) (Kate Christopher) [@Islamic_Artist](#) (Razwan Ul-Haq)

Such a privilege to have the esteemed Dr. Chris Hewer speaking on Islam content and methodology. [#REtolife17 @NATREupdate @RE Today](#)

So thankful to have [@KosherCrooner](#) (Gerry Cohen) sharing his knowledge and heart on Judaism great insights on the new syllabus. [#REtolife17 @RE Today](#)