

Three Counties SACREs: Secondary RE Conference
28 June 2018 EVALUATIONS 30 delegates, 24 responses

	excellent	good	satisfactory
Engaging students at GCSE – not just ‘getting through’ <i>Lat Blaylock 22</i>	95%	5%	
A1. Five ways to encourage excellence in writing. <i>Lat Blaylock 16</i>	100%		
A2. Practical strategies to develop religious literacy in Islam. <i>Chris Giles 8</i>	88%	12%	
B1. Salvation and atonement in Christian thought and practice. <i>Stephen Pett 9</i>	100%		
B2. Teaching concepts of God creatively and thoughtfully in Islam and Christianity. <i>Lat Blaylock 16</i>	88%	12%	
C1. Raising the profile of the RE Department. <i>Rebecca Davidge and Chris Giles 7</i>	71%	29%	
C2. Christians and life after death: authority, diversity and implications. <i>Stephen Pett 5</i>	100%		
Keynote 2. More learning, less marking: assessment models that work <i>Stephen Pett [Michelle Dodd] 21</i>	62%	38%	
TeachMeet: Teachers 15	80%	20%	
Venue: how do you rate it? 24	96%	4%	
Overall value of the conference 24	100%		
<p>Comments on the conference</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Great quality as ever – content of presentations and discussions based on these. Great use and examples of resources to immediately use and/or adapt. CH Wycliffe College • Really good day. The morning sessions were especially useful. I always look forward to these conferences. Lat and Stephen are inspirational. KP Maidenhill • It is so refreshing to come to a conference which is inspiring, gives you ideas that you put into practice, and makes you think. Brilliant! MC Waddesdon • It is always good to meet people who share your passion for the most valuable subject on our curriculum. Being given resources that will excite and engage our young students is so valuable. Great value for money. Challenging and thought-provoking. A must for all secondary school teachers. LBa Bishops Hereford • I found all the presentations engaging and will leave with a lot of practical ways to improve our RE – maybe even some whole-school improvement! LE Ribston • Thought-provoking. Lots of ideas to take away. Useful to network with other teachers. CG St Egwin’s Middle School • An inspirational refresher. A reminder of why I teach this subject with excellent ideas to take home. AR Bristol Free School • Excellent, generous sharing from Lat and Stephen. Always good to meet up with the RE community. RD Uni of Worcs • Excellent. Now just need time to put it into practice. JN Cleeve • Always makes me stop and think. Developing ideas and revisiting old ideas are all relevant. Sharing ideas is essential. The conference allows all of this to happen. LC Bewdley 			

Please continue overleaf if you need to!

- Great seminars, very informative and useful. AH Wyedean
- Very informative and offers practical ways of implementing knowledge and SMSC in practice. AP Uni of Worcs
- Excellent as ever. JE Fairfield.
- Lots of ideas to take back to school. I'd like to hear more about current research and what they may look like in RE. JR. Chelt Ladies College.
- Brilliant and practical ideas. MD Pittville.
- A really helpful, thought-provoking and useful (resources) day! Definitely come again! FF St Benedicts Alcester.
- Great day – so many ideas to go on with. Useful to engage with colleagues; to be encouraged that what we're doing is good and that there are ways to constantly improve. JH Stroud High

Suggestions for how we can recruit more teachers?

- Topics to cover/date/location/any other ideas etc.
- Topics were *very* relevant to specs, so don't think this was the issue. Date and location also good from my perspective! CH
- More fabulous resources to help make the new GCSE more engaging. The ideas today were great. Timing – just after half term in the summer term. LBa
- Ways to combat misconceptions. LE
- Bristol please! AR
- GCSE conference – teachers bring examples of how they are teaching new spec and how to improve. Every other year? Start later – give teachers a lie-in! RD
- Convince CPD budget holders about value for money. JN
- Reduce cost. Not all departments can afford the cost of the conference. AP
- Better advertising on Facebook, SaveRE etc. Email drop to local schools (incl independent schools). More religions – Buddhism. JR
- Write to the Head to sell the benefits and release the cash! JH

Actions you will undertake as a result of this conference

- Review all of the SoWs and resourcing for GCSE (plus some tweaks for A level) CH
- I have a long list of ideas to put into the classroom, thank you. KP
- Go back and share ideas with dept. MC
- Continue to try raising the profile of RE. Breathe life into the lessons activities to enthuse and engage the students. Visit Severn Vale. See HT to discuss assessment. LBa.
- Re-visit assessments. Look at possibility of RS advocates and philosophy magazine. Inform re planning and adjustments for next year. LE
- Lots of ideas to revamp lessons at KS3 and LS4. Will ask to join NATRE if budgets allow! Ideas to raise the profile of RE to increase recruitment. AR
- Inclusion of comparative judgement; whole class assessment; ways of concept cracking Trinity. RD
- Literacy strategies for GCSE. Smart marking modelling. Engagement strategies at GCSE. Implement life after death strategies. JN
- Assess the work I do and change some of my schemes to include new ideas learnt today. LC
Review class marking and feedback. Look at a focus on engagement planning for GCSE. AH
- Greater focus on spiral learning. 4-piece jigsaw. JH