Deeper thinking, deeper learning

Date: 25th June 2021

Online via Zoom

9.15am-3.30pm

This will be a practical conference to explore a mix of practical strategies and classroom resources. There is a focus on issues that matter – from anti-racist RE (examining ways of promoting well-being in plural communities) to Ofsted (exploring ideas of disciplinary knowledge). Our popular 'TeachMeet' slot gives you the chance to share great classroom ideas that work – for live or online working.

9.15-10.45 Anti-racist RE Lat Blaylock

How can we encourage students to learn about religion and beliefs, racism and prejudice in challenging ways that promote the well-being of all in our richly plural communities? Practical ideas and resources to help you plan and provide excellent learning in the classroom.

11.15-12.45 Multidisciplinary RE Stephen Pett

Ofsted is talking about substantive' knowledge and 'disciplinary' knowledge. What do they look like in RE? This session will look at how we can enable students to apply different methods to examine and evaluate the content of RE. For example:

- How do the methods and conclusions of theology and psychology differ about ideas of God?
- What insights can students gain about religious and non-religious worldviews from RS and sociology?
- What difference does it make if you apply methods of theology and natural sciences to environmental issues?

Break

1.30-2.45 Picturing Islam, picturing Muslims Lat Blaylock

This session will explore Islamic life and faith in the UK and beyond through visual culture, providing teachers with numerous ready-to-use creative ideas. It will connect some central concepts in Islam to some concrete examples of Muslim life and practice, enabling students to recognise how these play out in the lives of Muslims across time – from seventh-century Arabia to today – and across place – from the UK to the US, North Africa, the Middle East, India and Indonesia.

2.45-3.30 TeachMeet

Five-minute slots to share practical and relevant ideas for your classroom. Sign up to offer an idea that works!

You will receive an electronic copy of all resources used on the day to take away, with additional material available to download afterwards. A wide range of resources from RE Today Services will be available to purchase or order on the day at discounted prices.

Fee: £95 per school – use this for departmental training. Several teachers can attend together or through the day

Booking details attached. Please email to mark@retoday.org.uk or post to RE Today Services, 5/6 Imperial Court, 12 Sovereign Road, Birmingham, B30 3FH