Enriching RE classrooms: knowledge, creativity, thinking Monday 4th July 2022 ONLINE 9.15am-3.45pm

A day of inspiring support and ideas for your RE classroom. A suite of practical ideas and guidance for implementing the new agreed syllabus, from current theory to classroom practice. Clear advice on what makes for rich, engaging RE for you and your pupils – as well as meeting Ofsted requirements.

9.15-10.15 Session 1: 'Ways of knowing' in RE Stephen Pett

National guidance (such as the new Ofsted Research Review) increasingly supports the idea that pupils should use different ways of knowing in RE. What does that mean? Why does it matter? And what does it look like in the primary classroom? Practical strategies on Christians, Muslims and Jewish people in KS1 and KS2.

10.30-11.30 Session 2: Teaching about Hindus in KS2 Adam Robertson

How can we help teachers and pupils to understand the rich diversity and pluralism of Hindu (Sanatana) dharma? This lively workshop will showcase practical and engaging ways of teaching Hindu concepts, texts and practices in the classroom, as well as offering ideas for sequencing and progressing knowledge to build a coherent understanding of Hindu dharma for primary pupils.

11.45-12.45 Session 3: What in the world is a worldview? Stephen Pett

How can we transform our teaching by using a worldviews approach? Balancing organised teaching and practice with the lived beliefs and practice of individuals, a worldviews approach can give pupils the skills to engage with religious and non-religious perspectives, including their own. Creative classroom illustrations from 5-11s.

1.45-2.45 Session 4: Opening up texts and stories with 5-11s Adam Robertson

We are creatures who privilege story, and religions often use stories as a way of talking about big ideas and passing on traditions. In this workshop, we will look at stories from a variety of religious and non-religious worldviews – and show how they can be used to open up creative ways to engage with concepts and interpretation for 5-11s.

3.00-3.45 RE update! What is going on in the world of RE, locally and nationally?

Find out what training and support is on offer through local groups, SACRE events and national projects coming up in the next year!

Copies of all resources used on the day will be available to take away, and electronic copies available to download afterwards. A range of resources will be available to purchase or order on the day.

Who is it for?

The conference is aimed at teachers of RE from primary schools, including subject leaders and head teachers. It will also be valuable for governors to find out about and explore best practice in RE.

Aims:

- To explore excellent practice for implementing the Herefordshire Agreed Syllabus for RE, in the context of the new Ofsted Framework
- To provide practical support and guidance to schools in thinking about the intent of the syllabus and planning creative, challenging, thoughtful RE to implement it, increasing pupils' knowledge and understanding, as well as their personal development
- To give teachers confidence in planning and delivering great RE, deepening subject knowledge and skills
- To model examples of thoughtful RE, challenging all pupils and promoting deeper thinking

Cost: £95 per school. Attend as a staff for all or part of 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

Booking form:

Herefordshire Primary RE Conference:

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Use this as whole-school CPD throughout the day, or teachers join different sessions live online.

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