

Pan-Berkshire Religious Education Agreed Syllabus Review 2017-18

Agreed in principle at the Hub meeting on 25/4/17

Action points for SACREs highlighted in yellow

The pan-Berkshire SACRE Hub will lead and the review across all 6 local authority areas in Berkshire, served by the Hub manager, Jan Lever (RE Adviser) who will co-ordinate the consultation and review/revision process.

Aim: to engage stakeholders in a review of the current agreed syllabus enabling amendments and revisions in order to improve the syllabus to bring better RE learning to children and young people.

Changes will not be made for the sake of change.

National developments will be taken into account as will local stakeholders' views.

All 6 SACREs will agree on the revised version and have this ratified in their respective councils.

Please plan ahead to meet May 2018 to ratify the revised syllabus ready for a July 2018 launch.

Time-frame for the review

1. Summer Term 2017

Each SACRE to form an Agreed Syllabus Conference (ASC) to lead the syllabus review. The ASC usually comprises the whole SACRE, it becoming the ASC when the syllabus review matters are discussed and decisions needed. ASCs to be set up Summer Term 2017 at beginning of the review.

SACRE Advisers will advise Chairs etc

Consultation process with SACREs and schools using questionnaires and Meetings

Online survey to be sent to all schools. (Paper copy of survey attached)

Set up a teacher consultation group representative/s from each LA to harvest feedback and send electronically to JL

Teacher rep's on SACREs are welcome to join this group

(SACRE reps to liaise with the relevant teacher reps as appropriate)

SACREs to give initial feedback on questionnaire questions to JL by 21st July

Feedback to JL by 21 July 2017

JL to summarise feedback and send to SACREs (through Chairs, vice chairs and clerks) and teacher consultation group...

By end of August 2017

2. Autumn term 2017

Discuss revisions at SACRE Hub 12th September and agree revisions.

Inform stakeholders through:

Conference 28th September, Holiday Inn, Winnersh, 6.30-9pm

Network meetings

Email, LA news bulletins and web pages

and

Faith and belief group consultation day

Wednesday 4th October 2017

Venue Wokingham Borough Council, Shute End RG40 1BN

10am-3pm (Please do your best to be there for at least part of the day)
(SACRE faith group rep's work together on specific religion/belief sections of the syllabus and feed back to JL that day and to their SACREs at Autumn term meetings)

SACRE members representing any faith/belief group to be present to work with colleagues from other SACREs

SACREs please send names of people attending to JL by end of September.

JL to work on revisions and send to SACRE Hub chairs and vice chairs for consideration by **27 October 2017**

SACRE meetings Autumn 2017

Consider draft revisions sent by JL as result of consultations and members' input

Feed back to JL by email by 8th December 2017 latest

3. Spring term 2018

Early January, JL to send draft revised syllabus to SACRE Hub chairs, vice chairs for consideration at Hub meeting

Tuesday 16th January 2018

Venue:
4.15-6pm
JL amends as result

Consultation with SACREs and teacher consultation group during second half of Spring term 2018
SACRE meetings to consider revisions
Feed back to JL by 29th March 2018 latest

4. Summer term 2018

Mid-April JL to send revised syllabus, final draft, to SACRE Hub chairs, vice chairs for consideration at Hub meeting
Tuesday 24 April 2018
Venue:
4.15-6pm

Consultation with SACREs and teacher consultation group during May 2018
SACRE meetings to consider revisions
COULD SACRE MEETINGS BE HELD IN MAY TO ENABLE SYLLABUS TO BE RATIFIED IN TIME FOR JULY LAUNCH?
Feed back to JL by 25 May 2018 latest

Early June

Revised syllabus checked by SACRE Hub and teacher consultation group and final copy produced

Each SACRE produces its own Foreword endorsed by or written by e.g. Director of Education/Children's Services etc
To be with JL by June 15th 2018

Each SACRE organises its own LA process for ratification by appropriate Council Committee

July 2018

Pan-Berkshire revised syllabus launch event (with training)
Date: Suggest w/c 9 July ???
Venue:

Time:

PLEASE DISCUSS THIS AT SACRE MEETINGS SUMMER TERM 2017 AND
FEED BACK IDEAS ETC TO JL BY END OF JULY

By end of Summer term 2018

All schools have received notification of revised syllabus, how to
download it, training events in each LA, expectations regarding
implementation guidance etc

September 2018

Schools obliged to delivering RE according to the locally agreed syllabus
are starting to implement it, supported by network meetings etc

September 2019

Full implementation expected by schools obliged to follow syllabus

JL April 2017

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