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Wokingham SACRE Autumn Meeting

Teacher Networks and Training Opportunities

Since the last SACRE meeting the following training opportunities and networks for teachers and leaders of RE in the local authority have taken place. All events that have already taken place have received overwhelmingly positive feedback from teachers. All took place online, via Microsoft Teams, as twilight sessions. All sessions were provided free of charge to schools.

Summer 2021

| Training/networking opportunity | Date | Description | Number of participants |
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| Primary Network Meeting led by Angela Hill | 8 th July | Real People: Real Faith. Teachers were able to watch some of the content | 16 |

Autumn 2021: Wokingham Autumn Festival of RE CPD

SACRE funded the gift of a classroom resource to all Wokingham schools. Primary schools received the 'What Happens in...?' pack and secondary schools received the Picturing Islam, Picturing Muslims pack. A training package was also created to support teachers, with some sessions directly linked to the free resources, to enable teachers to make great use of them.

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| Picturing Islam, Picturing Muslims led by Lat Blaylock, RE Today Cross-phase | 20 th September | Lat Blaylock, National RE Adviser at RE Today and editor of <i>RE Today</i> magazine, presented 8 engaging and dynamic visual learning approaches to Islam which are suitable for pupils aged 7-14. All teachers, primary and secondary, were welcome to attend. The webinar was designed to help support the use of the <i>Picturing Islam: Picturing Muslims</i> resource, which secondary schools received as gift from Wokingham SACRE in the summer term. | 15 |
| Ofsted and RE: The Research Review and the 3 'I's led by Angela Hill Cross-phase | 4 th October | The session discussed the implications for RE of the recent Ofsted Research Review on RE in primary and secondary schools. Focusing on this, and the 3 'I's (intention, implementation and impact), ideas were presented to make RE in Ofsted-ready. There were also opportunities for discussion between teachers. | 36 – including 3 SACRE members |
| What happens in...? Led by Julia Diamond-Conway, RE Today Primary | 18 th October | This session presented ideas for creative and effective teaching of how to use 'lived faith' approaches in primary RE, including the use of the ' <i>What Happens In...?</i> ' resource which primary schools received as a gift from Wokingham SACRE in the summer term. As one of the authors of this resource, and with a passion for helping pupils to understand religions from the point of view of followers, Julia made connections with other resources. | 15 |

Forthcoming event

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| Primary Network Meeting: Creative RE for the foundation stage led by Fiona Moss, RE Today Primary (EYFS) | 30 th November | Story, subject knowledge and creative strategies, and examples of pupil work. Come along to hear ideas and see samples of work. Bring questions and ideas of your own. | |
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Spring and summer: Forthcoming training and network opportunities

Two further primary network meetings will take place; one in the spring term, and one in the summer term.

A primary subject leader course is also planned for the spring term (this is likely to take place in March 2022)