

Report to Lancashire SACRE: January 2024

- Following an analysis of the primary RE survey, 9 schools who judged their practice in RE to require improvement have been offered free 1: 1 training from a consultant.
- In the RE survey 12 schools judged the quality of education in RE at their school to be outstanding. Letters have been sent to each school asking them to share their practice. A range of options were offered e.g. invite SACRE members to visit, attend a SACRE meeting or share resources via the website or newsletter. So far 2 schools have invited SACRE representatives to visit their school. Hopefully arrangements can to be made quickly
- Consultants continue to support individual schools, clusters and trainee teachers e.g. through SCITT, WRIST, Mossgate.
- The spring term newsletter will be released w/b 29 January. It will be circulated electronically.
- Wigan LA have now bought into the Lancashire Agreed Syllabus. Training was provided for all Wigan schools on 24th January. Other authorities who buy fully into our RE resources are St Helens, Warrington, and Halton.
- Free termly network meetings continue. They were held in 3 locations in November and are now advertised for 6 and 7 March. This term consultants will be sharing creative approaches to the teaching of RE.
- The annual report was approved by the QSS committee and submitted to the DFE and NASACRE following the meeting. It is accessible via the NASACRE website and RE website.
- 2 training sessions have been advertised for 8 July. They will focus on assessment and moderation in RE. Teachers will be invited to bring samples of books for pupils in Y6 and Y2. <u>Courses Lancashire Professional Development Service</u>
- The first steps are being taken by the LA officer and consultants to review the syllabus in line with a religion and worldviews approach. This is informed by the National Content Standard; recently released by the RE council. The LA officer suggests that an ASC is convened in September so that progress can be monitored in termly intervals prior to launch in 2026. This is a huge piece of work which will take up most of the consultants' time next year.
 - As part of our work towards the new syllabus it would be useful to create a Lancashire directory of faith organisations and groups. Hopefully SACRE members can help with this.
- The RE Hub website has been developed extensively during the last few months. It acts as a 'one stop shop' for all things RE Explore RE in your area (re-hubs.uk)