



Mid-Term RE Updates: February 2020

There are so many things going on at the moment we have decided to issue a Mid-term RE update!

Below are our remaining CPD twilight sessions for 2019-20.

RE Subject Leader Twilight Sessions in 2019-2020

Date	Venue	Theme
Tuesday 9th June 2020 (N.B. different to our usual Thursday slot!) 4.30-6.00pm	Pound Lane Learning Centre, Leamington Spa, Warwickshire CV32 7RT Booking through eventbrite https://www.eventbrite.com/e/74262951487	RE Subject Leader Twilight: Teaching Non-Religious World Views Primary Only



Coventry and Warwickshire SACRE RE Subject Knowledge Enhancement Project

Venue	Date	Religious Tradition*
Nuneaton Mosque	Thursday 5th March 2020 4.00-6.00pm	Islam
Birmingham Progressive Synagogue	Tuesday 16th June 2020 5.00-7.00pm (to allow for travel)	Judaism

THESE ARE FREE CPD SESSIONS TO ENHANCE YOUR RE SUBJECT KNOWLEDGE (DETAILS BELOW)

To book: use the link below to book through eventbrite

- Each session to be held in a place of worship

- Tour of place of worship with key features and links to practices pointed out
- Talk by relevant SACRE member to give a basic overview of the faith
- Q&A session (we will try to anticipate some of the questions that might be asked)
- Filming by a professional filmographer so that the tour and Q&A can be used back in school for staff meetings and CPD (as 2 x 20 minute film clips)
- 'Road Map' suggesting approaches and resources to be used back in school for teaching that tradition/worldview

Certificates of Attendance for RE Subject Leadership file as evidence you have been intentional about developing your subject knowledge

Sikhism: <http://www.eventbrite.com/e/sacre-re-subject-knowledge-sikhism-tickets-71770823465>

Islam: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sacre-re-subject-knowledge-islam-tickets-72923013697>

Judaism: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sacre-re-subject-knowledge-judaism-tickets-72934716701>

Please make use of the Warwickshire SACRE website to locate resources and handouts for any sessions you miss. The password for accessing these is the same as for the Agreed Syllabus. Email sacre@warwickshire.gov.uk if you require the password.

<https://schools.warwickshire.gov.uk/managing-schools/standing-advisory-council-religious-education-sacre/4?documentId=33&categoryId=6>

SACRE Surveys- Please Complete ASAP. Thank you.



Coventry RE Exam Entries:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeM4HhJX9WAS-H2W6TAdDrBM4zLv1YLJhhssOA-KBpweU6e2A/viewform>

Coventry Agreed Syllabus Half Way Review:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScKVCOj_ToVviO-QG_o1c4Qs0Q3G_wmWWepPqXhUVWF_CC6cg/viewform

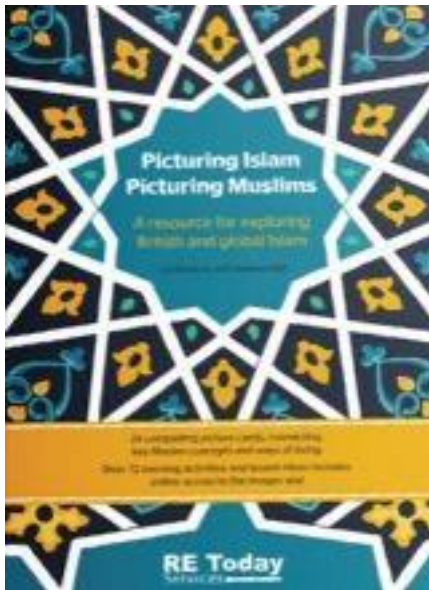
Warwickshire RE Exam Entries:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=BqqwiCdZu0uok4nMJxOsgsH0mPbeQwVLlqB0zlUwK61UQUZBQU1XTUIQTVZVThLS05FR_Tg3RzJNRy4u

Warwickshire Agreed Syllabus Half Way Review:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=BqqwiCdZu0uok4nMJxOsgsH0mPbeQwVLlqB0zlUwK61UMFBTmZPVO0RIWFg2ODRJNVVEQ1E3NFNNSS4u>

New Resource!



New Resource from RE Today: Picturing Islam, Picturing Muslims. £45. This looks great and has suggestions for learning activities on the reverse side of the images.

Available here

<https://shop.retoday.org.uk/9781910261545>

Local RE Conferences

National AREIAC Conference in Coventry

AREIAC: Deep Dive or Shallow Swim: From Syllabus to Classroom

Monday 6th to Tuesday 7th July, 2020



Windmill Village Hotel: Coventry



The 2020 conference will take place on 6th and 7th July 2020 at the Windmill Village Hotel, Coventry.

<http://areiac.org.uk/public/conf20/conf2020.html>

FREE Local (Birmingham) RE Conference for Primary RE Teachers/Subject Leaders

<p>St Matthew's C of E Primary School</p> <p><i>In association with NATRE we are pleased to offer:</i></p> <div></div>
<p>Central Birmingham Primary NATRE Meeting</p>
<div><p>Thursday 27th February 2020 2.00pm – 4.00pm</p><p>We would like to welcome primary RE/Collective Worship leads and/or Senior Leaders from both faith and non-faith schools to come together to:</p><ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ensure that 'RE' is always on your school's agenda!• Explore the links between RE and the wider curriculum• Ensure leaders have confidence in the Ofsted/SIAMS framework• Ensure teachers and leaders have good knowledge of the subject and that leaders provide effective support for those teaching outside their main areas of expertise.</div>
<p><u>The meeting will focus on:</u></p> <p>Reading for RE – broadening subject knowledge and developing vocabulary.</p> <p>Resourcing RE – using resources in the classroom.</p> <p>Tour of the school (focus on RE working walls and school environment).</p> <p>Guest speaker.</p>
<p>SIAMS grade: Outstanding (May 2016)</p> <p>St Matthew's Christian character is explicitly stated throughout the school and on the school website and the teachings of Jesus underpin all that the school does. Visitors come face to face with the words 'You are the light of the world' as they approach the building. The school motto 'With God nothing is impossible' empowers both pupils and staff to aim for the highest achievements in all areas of life.</p>
<p>Venue: St Matthew's CE Primary School, Nechells B7 4JR</p> <p>NB: There is <u>no</u> charge for these events</p> <p>RSVP: d.martin@st-matthews.bham.sch.uk</p> <p>Tel: 0121 359 1602</p>

Email d.martin@st-matthews.bham.sch.uk to book a place

Candle Conference for Year 12 Students



The poster features a silhouette of a person's head and shoulders, filled with a vibrant, colorful nebula or galaxy pattern. The person is holding an open book. The background is a solid teal color. The text is white and yellow. A red banner in the top right corner contains white text. A screenshot of a tweet is overlaid on the bottom right.

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REVELATION

An event for Year 12 students of A Level Religious Studies

With Dr Peter Vardy

Spring 2020

Fri 14th February, St Andrew's Church, Oxford
Fri 28th February, St Nicholas's Cathedral, Newcastle
Thurs 5th March, Broadmead Baptist Church, Bristol
Thurs 12th March, Wesley Methodist Church, Cambridge
Fri 13th March, Bloomsbury Baptist Church, London
Tues 17th March, Coventry Cathedral
Thurs 19th March, Central Methodist Hall, Manchester

Steven Winter
@puzzlevardy
Year 12 RS pupils attending their first @puzzlevardy lectures, superb engagement with the significant questions of life and happiness. #InspiringIndividualExcellence #cvevwhatyoulearn

04 Feb - 8 Feb 2020

Tuesday 17th March 2020 at Coventry Cathedral

<https://candleconferences.com/book-your-conference/>

RE Curriculum: Visits and Visitors in RE

Voices of faith and belief in schools

Guidance and a Code of Conduct

Useful guidance from NATRE on inviting in faith visitors to school and taking pupils on visits where they will listen to people of faith talk about their beliefs and traditions:

<http://www.natre.org.uk/uploads/Free%20Resources/Voices%20of%20faith%20and%20belief%20in%20schools.pdf>

PLACES OF WORSHIP

BUDDHISM CHRISTIANITY HINDUISM ISLAM JUDAISM SIKHISM

Planning a visit to a place of worship

Attached are a series of questions and guides to aid you in your planning of a trip to a place of worship. The idea is that through answering them you provide yourself with a clear framework for your trip.

Obviously you do not need to complete them all, but by doing so you should find a comprehensive strategy emerging which will make your trip a more enjoyable & productive learning experience.

1. Some general questions to help me plan my trip...

Where am I wanting to visit & what are the contact details?	What is the aim(s) of this visit. 1. 2.	Which aspects of the visit enable me to cover AT 1 – Learning about religion?
Which aspects of the visit enable me to cover AT 2 – Learning from religion?	What will be my 'benchmark' by which I will regard the trip as a success?	Which teachers/TAs/parents will be present as support for this trip & what will I ask them to do during it?

2. Some slightly more specific questions to help me plan my trip...

What am I wanting the students to experience/achieve/see during this visit?	Do I want all students considering the same ideas/items or ... If yes, what will they look at?	... would I prefer to organise them into small groups? If yes, what will each group look at?
As a whole group during the visit, each student will ...	In small groups during the visit, each student will...	On their own during the visit, each student will...

3. Some RE-specific questions to help me plan my trip.

At the end of this visit, all students will ...	At the end of this visit, most students will ...	At the end of this visit, a few students will ...
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Planning Your Visit

- Resources Activities & Questions
- Standards & Assessment
- Pre-Christian Sites, Museums & Exhibitions
- A place near you?
- Students' Work
- Watch videos visits to Places of Worship
- Sacred Space - a series of case studies on Learning Outside the Classroom

Helpful etiquette for making visits to places of worship so that both staff and pupils are prepared and can make the most of their learning experience: https://www.reonline.org.uk/specials/places-of-worship/home_1.htm



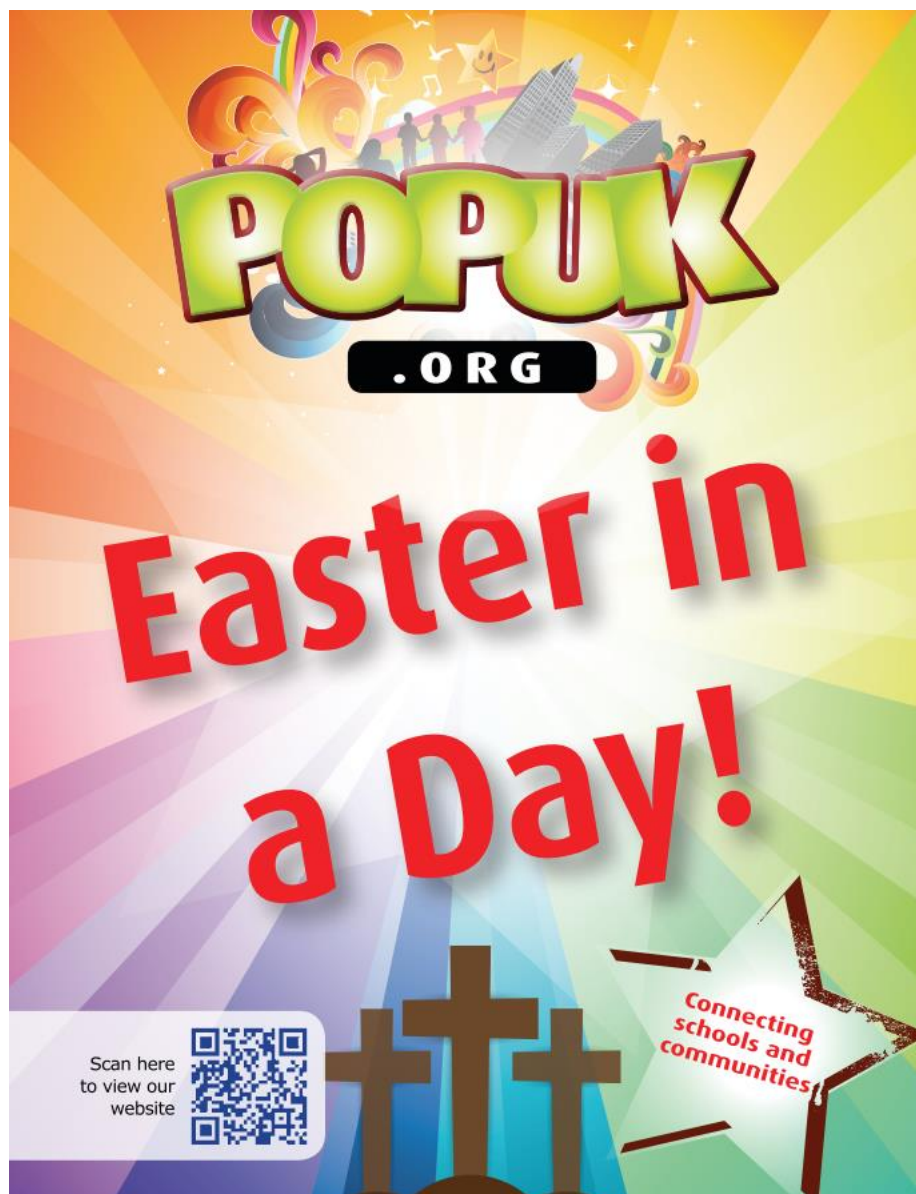
A SACRE-suggested list of visits and visitors can be found here (use the usual password). We recommend you make local visits to places on this list as we cannot offer advice or assurance when visits are planned for places of worship further afield.

<https://apps.warwickshire.gov.uk/api/documents/WCCC-982-273>



'Do and Don't' documents for each of the 6 major faith traditions, plus Humanism.

These will be uploaded to the Warwickshire SACRE website, so keep an eye out for them.



Coventry Cathedral Opportunities



Returning to the Cathedral once again, is the ever popular Experience Easter. Journey through Easter, from Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday morning and delve deeper in to its themes through a series of interactive stations that draw on personal experiences. What are your hopes and dream, and what do we do when we don't get things quite right?

Aimed at KS1 and is sensitive to those of multi-faith backgrounds

Session last 2 hours and cost £4 per pupil.



One teacher commented:

"We have attended this event in the past few years, and have found it immensely moving (adults and children alike!), and thought-provoking. The children continue to reflect on the learning experiences from the workshop in the weeks leading up to Easter"

For more information or to book your space please contact the Schools' team

Telephone:

02476 521 257

Email

stella.timbrell@coventrycathedral.org.uk





Experience Pentecost Teacher CPD

**Thursday 12th March
2020 at Coventry
Cathedral 2-4pm**

Canon Kathryn Fleming from Coventry Cathedral will lead you through how to set up and use a series of stations to allow your pupils to 'Experience Pentecost'. This is suitable for Primary teachers but could easily be adapted for use in Secondary schools.

This event will include a tour of the cathedral.

Cost £20 per delegate.

Book on to the event here:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/experience-pentecost-tickets-84887299197>



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New interfaith resource from Interfaith week for Primary

LEARNING ABOUT INTER FAITH ACTIVITY: A PRIMARY RESOURCE FOR PUPILS AGED 9–11

A resource is designed to help increase pupils' understanding of, and skills for, inter faith encounter, dialogue and action. It focuses on learning about real examples of inter faith engagement, including in their areas.



<https://www.interfaith.org.uk/resources/learning-about-inter-faith-activity-a-primary-resource>



Request your free copy of the online RE Closing the Word Gap Pack

Request your copy here: https://admin-oupform.edcowebsites.co.uk/ed-re/request-your-free-copy-of-the-re-closing-the-word-gap-pack/form?utm_campaign=wordgap&utm_source=communigator&utm_medium=email&utm_content=re&utm_team=sec&utm_gator_td=5FBjkApGTVyLPZWFW2oiBciR88NRsHE6DBpNPBPm8ElOnOnFe3RVXwik%2bt2m9wHPBCbFg97oe1FG7QRlvZ8TJxtZTYbQYGzP%2f1QmquUotBnRFFiH5URySYSLF5GPB%2fqqMCmhj5JzjqWZMmlDAJmMzboaCChX3nU7BbU%2f7nRzqb5oBluwfRd6eElrRedF9UujGONoD9xAXyS9edYYiOlP8w%3d%3d

My resources on Theologies of Reading (faith traditions' approaches to sacred texts) have been turned into an RE Online Resource:



Jennifer Jenkins, RE Facilitator for Coventry and Warwick, presents Theologies of Reading, a wide-ranging set of information concerning the reading of sacred texts. Taken from research, faith-based reading and techniques of interpretation and contemplation, these presentations contain much rich understanding for the classroom.

How do you read with your pupils? How do you help them make sense of sacred texts? Are there multiple interpretations, and how to explore these?

These presentations will help you consider how meaning is made and the relationship of text to reader with guidance and practical tips to try in the classroom.

Resources on the Jewish Midrash, Quranic Recitation, Christian approaches to the Bible and general ideas for using text in RE are available here:

<https://www.reonline.org.uk/teaching-resources/theologies-of-reading/>

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Teach:RE Primary – An Introduction

This course is designed for Primary Beginner Teachers, NQTs and HLTAs

Who is this course for?

This short self-study course is for those currently undertaking primary initial teaching training or for those in their NQT year or working as an HLTA in a primary school or academy. The course helps those entering the teaching profession to understand the purpose of RE and how to teach it effectively.

COURSE LAUNCH OFFER!

The first 20 teachers/beginner teachers to complete this course and send us a signed work record will receive free NATRE membership for one year**

** If a serving HLTAs or NQT completes the course a school will receive free bronze NATRE membership for one year if they are not already a member of NATRE. If an ITT beginner teacher completes the course they will receive free student membership of NATRE for one year if they are not already a member of NATRE.

Courses

The Teach:RE course is to support all those who currently teach RE in primary and secondary schools, and those who are planning to enter Initial Teacher Training.

RE:ONLINE

Free to use, quality assured, comprehensive coverage of religion and worldviews

<https://www.teachre.co.uk/teach-re-course/teachre-primary/>



I thoroughly recommend taking up NATRE membership for your school. Do that here:

<https://www.natre.org.uk/membership/membership/>



Email me to see if you are eligible for the Primary 1000 RE Project! Details here:

<https://www.natre.org.uk/membership/primary-RE-1000/>

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Teaching About Easter (RE Today Webinar)



Please register for 'Teaching about Easter'

This one hour session will provide information for teachers about Easter and its significance for Christians. We will explore teaching and learning strategies suitable for 5-11 year olds to support you to create a planned programme for learning about Easter for younger and older pupils in the primary school.

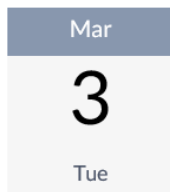
Cost: £30 (Discounts available to NATRE members, see below)

NATRE member discounts

£10 off for Bronze, ITT, NQT and Professional members (pay £20), £15 off for Silver members (pay £15), £20 off for Gold members (pay £10), FREE for Platinum members.

Once you have registered you will be required to make payment no later than two weeks prior to the seminar, to receive your confirmation enabling you to join in on the day.

[Contact Organizer](#)



Tue, Mar 3, 2020

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM GMT

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https://attendee.gototraining.com/r/5491785006770743554?utm_source=emailmarketing&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=professional_natre_members_newsletter_feb_2020&utm_content=2020-02-05

NEW! RE: INTENT, IMPLEMENTATION AND IMPACT (BIRMINGHAM)

30/06/2020

Date: 30 June 2020, 9:30am-3:30pm

Location: Birmingham

Trainer: Fiona Moss

Cost: £205

(Further discounts available for NATRE members! See below.)

A BRAND NEW COURSE FOR 2020!

Suitable for: Teachers of 5-11s looking to deepen their knowledge and teaching of RE in light of OFSTED research. Perfect for both NQTs as well as experienced teachers and any teaching staff with a responsibility for RE.

This course will help you to think about how RE in your school is structured using OFSTED terminology and support schools to think about their curriculum in the light of OFSTED research. The course will also give teachers numerous practical and ready to use ideas to implement with the 4-11 age range in RE.

NATRE member discounts

Bronze members get £30 off, Silver members get £50 off, Gold members get £100 off, Platinum members go for FREE!



http://www.natre.org.uk/courses-events/upcoming-courses-events/new-re-intent-implementation-and-impact-birmingham/?utm_source=emailmarketing&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=professional_natre_members_newsletter_feb_2020&utm_content=20-02-05