

RE Summer Bulletin 2021



Key Dates for RE Festivals Summer 2021

| Religious Tradition/Worldview | Key Dates |
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| Baha'i | 20 th April-1 st May Ridvan 23 th May Declaration of the Bab 28 th May The Ascension of Baha'u'llah 9 th July Martyrdom of the Bab |
| Buddhism | 8 th April Hanamatsuri 13 th -15 th April Songkran 26 th May Vesakha Puja /Buddha Day 14ChokhorDuchen 24 th 25 th July Asalha Puja /Dhamma Day |
| Christianity | 2 th May Pascha [Orthodox] 9 th -15 th May Christian Aid Week 13 th May Ascension Day 23 rd May Pentecost /Whit Sunday 30 th May Trinity Sunday 3 rd June Thanksgiving for the Eucharist 3 rd June Corpus Christi - Body & Blood of Christ [RC] 10 rd June Ascension Day [Orthodox] 20 th June Pentecost [Orthodox] 6 th August The Transfiguration 15 th August Blessed Virgin Mary 15 th August Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary [RC] 15 th August Dormition of the Mother of God [Orthodox] 19 th August The Transfiguration [Julian Calendar] 28 th August Dormition [Julian Calendar] |
| Hinduism | 21 st April Rama Navami 26 th /27 th April Hanuman Jayanti 11 th July Ratha Yatra 21 st 22 nd August Raksha Bandhan 29 th /30 th August Janmashtami /Krishna Jayanti |
| Islam | 13 th April – 12 th May Ramadan 8 th May Lailat-ul-Qadr: Night of Power 12 th May End of Ramadan 13 th -16 th May Eid-ul-Fitr 18 th -22 nd July Hajj 19 th -22 nd July Eid-Al-Adha 28 th July Eid-ul-Ghadir(Shi'a) 10 th August Al-Hijra [622CE][1443 AH] 19 th August Dhul al Hijja [10thday] 19 th August Ashura |
| Judaism* | 8 th April Yom Hashoah 15 th April Yom Ha'atzma'ut 30 th April Lag B'Omer 17 th -18 th May Shavuot 18 th July Tisha B'Av |
| Sikhism | 13 th April Vaisakhi/Baisakhi 16 th June Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev |
| Other | 23 rd April St George's Day 1 st May May Day 21 st June World Humanist Day 21 st June Midsummer Day |

*All Jewish festivals begin the night before at sundown

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Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education (SACRE)

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SACRE Website

Don't forget that the Warwickshire SACRE website is your go-to place for some key documents to support your RE:


- The Coventry & Warwickshire Agreed Syllabus
- SACRE Suggested List of Visits and Visitors
- Do and Don't Documents for all 6 major religions and Humanism
- Past CPD materials (great for you as RE subject leader)
- Westhill RE Subject Knowledge films and corresponding documents (Section 9 right at the bottom- great for developing staff subject knowledge in RE)
- Past RE Bulletins
- Documents detailing how local religious communities have responded to the Coronavirus Pandemic

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

You will need the password in order to access the documents posted here. If you don't have it, please email sacre@warwickshire.gov.uk to request it. You must be from a Coventry and Warwickshire school.

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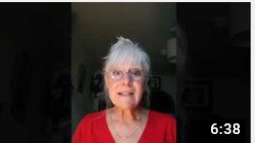
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Local RE CPD



SACRE CPD:

| Date | Booking Link | CPD Focus |
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| Thursday 6th May 2021 4.00-5.30pm | https://www.eventbrite.com/e/help-im-the-new-re-subject-leader-tickets-141819472861 | Help! I'm the RE Subject Leader This session will support those who are new to RE subject leadership as they prepare to take on the role |
| Thursday 20th May 2021 4.00-5.30pm | https://www.eventbrite.com/e/promoting-good-re-tickets-133960843489 | Promoting Good RE A comprehensive look at all the elements that lead to good practice in RE and how you might promote the subject in your school |
| Tuesday 8th June 2021 3.00-5.00pm | Booking details to be shared shortly | WARWICKSHIRE NQT/RQT: Teaching RE at Primary School This session will build on the earlier session and look closer at |

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| | | worldviews, disciplinary RE & hermeneutical lenses |
| Thursday 10th June 2021 3.00-5.00pm | Booking details to be shared shortly | COVENTRY NQT/RQT: Teaching RE at Primary School This session will build on the earlier session and look closer at worldviews, disciplinary RE & hermeneutical lenses |
| Thursday 24th June 2021 4.00-6.00pm | https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/teaching-the-abrahamic-faiths-in-secondary-re-tickets-145521337237 | This session, led by Dr Susan Yore and Professor Pauline Kollontai of York St John University, will focus on an overview of the Abrahamic Faiths and their connections, as well as faith-specific sessions on Islam and Judaism, relevant to teaching KS3 and KS4. |



Coventry DBE CPD:

Coventry DBE RE Subject Leader CPD Sessions

Tuesday 4th May and Tuesday 18th May 2021 4.00-5.30pm Developing Children's Spirituality 1 & 2-

These two CPD sessions will support you in understanding how pupils' spirituality develops and ways in which you can support and nurture it in school.

To book onto these sessions, please email: Alison.watson@coventrydbe.org

Supporting RE in Your School

During Spring Term 2021 you can still request a 'monitoring visit' for your school but at the moment these can only be conducted via Microsoft Teams. These are especially useful if you are due an Ofsted or SIAMS visit in the next year or have had RE listed as a development point from a previous inspection. They are also useful for new RE Subject Leaders and are free of charge. The following can be looked at:

- RE Curriculum and Long-Term Planning
- Progression within your RE Curriculum
- RE Subject Leader Action Planning
- Means for monitoring and evaluating RE
- RE and Assessment

Any documentation to be looked at would need to be sent to Jennifer Jenkins in advance of the meeting. If you are interested, please email Jennifer.Jenkins@coventry.gov.uk (Coventry schools) and jenniferjenkins@warwickshire.gov.uk (Warwickshire schools)



**Calling All
VOLUNTEERS**

Proposed Local RE Teach Meet

I am still interested in setting up an 'RE Teach Meet' online using Microsoft Teams. This would involve several of our local RE leads doing a 10-minute presentation on an area of their practice or leadership in RE that they think others might benefit from hearing about. If you are interested in contributing, please email me and we will see if we have enough contributors to set up our first meeting.

Jennifer.Jenkins@coventry.gov.uk (Coventry schools) or
jenniferjenkins@warwickshire.gov.uk (Warwickshire schools)

LOCAL RE GROUP MEETING

South Warwickshire Secondary NATRE Group & Friends

A new secondary NATRE Local Group has launched in South Warwickshire run by Karen Steele. Email steele.k@sggs.org.uk for details.

There is also a secondary NATRE Local Group in North Warwickshire run by Sophie Smith. Email sophie.smith@midlandat.co.uk for details.

If you run a local RE group, please get in touch so we can help you to promote it.

National CPD Opportunities



TEACH:RE

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Teach RE have some brilliant opportunities for CPD for RE subject leaders, including some free self-study modules. Check them out here:

<https://www.teachre.co.uk/>

RE Today
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Summer Sessions from RE Today

This summer term RE Today's **Lat Blaylock** is running 'Summer Sessions' – a set of 3 Primary and 3 Secondary twilight CPD sessions to refresh and enthuse teachers as we head to the end of a difficult year.

Primary

6 May - Creative Thoughtful Spiritual RE for 4-7s

27 May - Creative Thoughtful Spiritual RE for 7-11s

9 June - Anti racist RE for 7-11s

Secondary

29 April - Curriculum design for KS3

17 May - Picturing Islam, Picturing Muslims

8 June - Greener RE? Climate justice issues

Schools can book individually for the sessions below (£45 each) or book all 3 sessions in a phase for £90. LA's, SACRE's, MAT's and Dioceses' can arrange block booking for their schools please contact Chris Hooper, chris@retoday.org.uk



Promoting RE in Your School



Primary RE 1000 Project with RE Today

Giving primary schools access to high-quality RE resources

There is still the opportunity to take up this excellent offer.

The National Association of Teachers of RE (NATRE) has received generous funding to support more primary schools with high quality RE resources. Helping

to deliver RE in engaging and exciting ways, Primary RE 1000 offers a special two-year Bronze membership package.

Only available to eligible schools, NATRE aims to increase access to fantastic resources, and this funding has made it possible at a subsidized price of just £55. If you would like to find out if your school is eligible please email me:

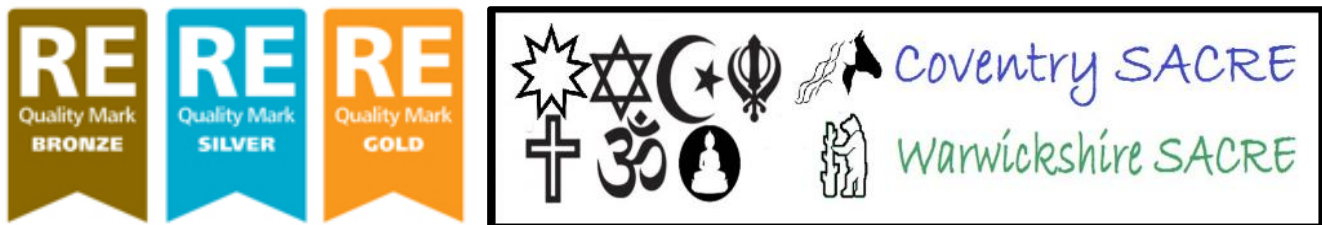
jennifer.jenkins@coventry.gov.uk (Coventry schools) or

jenniferjenkins@warwickshire.gov.uk (Warwickshire schools). If you ARE eligible,

I can send you a discount code and you will need to quote me as your referrer in order to get the discounted offer. More details on this project can be found here:

<http://www.natre.org.uk/membership/primary-re-1000/>

REQM Award



Next academic year we are hoping to promote the REQM and support local schools in making applications. Watch this space for details of finding out more about this award.

RE Quality Mark

- ▶ Do learners in your school have high quality religious education?
- ▶ Does RE contribute to whole school improvement?
- ▶ Would you like high quality RE in your school to be recognised?

The REQM acknowledges and celebrates outstanding RE.
If you know that you are making a difference to learners, consider applying for the REQM.







www.reqm.org



You can find out more about the REQM award here: <https://www.reqm.org/>

If you are already pursuing the REQM or would like to, please get in touch:

jennifer.jenkins@coventry.gov.uk (Coventry schools) or

jenniferjenkins@warwickshire.gov.uk (Warwickshire schools)

RE with impact: deeper thinking, deeper learning

Date: Friday 25th June 2021

Online via Zoom

9.15am-3.30pm

This will be a practical conference to explore a mix of practical strategies and classroom resources. There is a focus on issues that matter – from anti-racist RE (examining ways of promoting well-being in plural communities) to Ofsted (exploring ideas of disciplinary knowledge). Our popular ‘TeachMeet’ slot gives you the chance to share great classroom ideas that work – for live or online working.

9.15-10.45 Anti-racist RE Lat Blaylock

How can we encourage students to learn about religion and beliefs, racism and prejudice in challenging ways that promote the well-being of all in our richly plural communities? Practical ideas and resources to help you plan and provide excellent learning in the classroom.

11.15-12.45 Multidisciplinary RE Stephen Pett

Ofsted is talking about substantive knowledge and ‘disciplinary’ knowledge. What do they look like in RE? This session will look at how we can enable students to apply different methods to examine and evaluate the content of RE. For example:

- How do the methods and conclusions of theology and psychology differ about ideas of God?
- What insights can students gain about religious and non-religious worldviews from RS and sociology?
- What difference does it make if you apply methods of theology and natural sciences to environmental issues?

Break

1.30-2.45 Picturing Islam, picturing Muslims Lat Blaylock

This session will explore Islamic life and faith in the UK and beyond through visual culture, providing teachers with numerous ready-to-use creative ideas. It will connect some central concepts in Islam to some concrete examples of Muslim life and practice, enabling students to recognise how these play out in the lives of Muslims across time – from seventh-century Arabia to today – and across place – from the UK to the US, North Africa, the Middle East, India and Indonesia.

2.45-3.30 TeachMeet

Five-minute slots to share practical and relevant ideas for your classroom. Sign up to offer an idea that works!

You will receive an electronic copy of all resources used on the day to take away, with additional material available to download afterwards. A wide range of resources from RE Today Services will be available to purchase or order on the day at discounted prices.

This conference is supported by Gloucestershire, Worcestershire and Herefordshire SACREs.

**Fee: £95 per school – use this for departmental training.
Several teachers can attend together or through 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

Three Counties Secondary RE Conference 2021

Booking form:
Three Counties Secondary RE Conference
Friday 25th June 2021
ONLINE

Fee: £95 per school

(Use this as whole department training throughout the day,
 or different teachers join different sessions)

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Send to: RE Today Services, 5/6 Imperial Court, 12 Sovereign Road, Birmingham, B30 3FH
Tel: 0121 458 3313 **Fax:** 0121 285 1816
Email to: mark@retoday.org.uk

RE Research & New RE Reports


Culham St Gabriel's have launched a fantastic new research section on the RE Online website. See below for topics and a link to the website:

Search our free research library

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RExChange

Resources from the RExChange events.



[Read more >](#)

In Conversation

Recordings of the events. A researcher gives a very brief summary of a key piece of research and the host invites questions, feedback and comment.

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Case Studies

Learn about research journeys people have taken and find out about what people are currently researching.

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Opportunities

Opportunities to participate in Religion and Worldviews research projects.

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Research of the Month

Features a different piece of research each month with extra resources to support its use by individuals as well as local and regional groups.

[Read more >](#)

Engaging in and with research

Links and resources to use when exploring research undertaken by others as well as carrying out research of your own.

[Read more >](#)

Research Bulletin

Culham St Gabriel's funded Masters and PhD students share their research with you.

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Research Posters

Summaries of research in an easily accessible format.

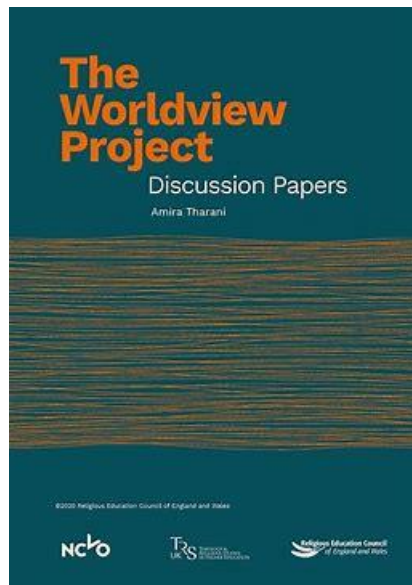
[Read more >](#)

<https://www.reonline.org.uk/research/>



Worldviews in RE by Trevor Cooling:

<https://www.theosthinktank.co.uk/research/2020/10/21/worldviews-in-religious-education>



The Worldviews Project Discussion Papers from the Religious Education Council:

<https://www.religiouseducationcouncil.org.uk/news/project-worldview-conversations/>

RE Resources

New from BBC! 'Being...' Series

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Series 1 Episodes

All Available now (5) Next on (7)

Christian
British Christians from across the faith celebrate life's big milestones.
Next on Tuesday 23:25
BBC ONE EXCEPT NORTHERN IRELAND & NORTHERN IRELAND HD

Jewish
British Jews across the faith celebrate life's big milestones.

Hindu
British Hindus across the faith celebrate life's big milestones.

Back up to: Being...

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p096g8qk/episodes/guide>

Cambridge in Your Classroom

Experts from the Faculty of Divinity answer some of the big questions of religion, philosophy and ethics. Aimed at students aged 14-18, *Cambridge in Your Classroom* is a joint project by the Faculty of Divinity and the Faculty of Education Religious Studies PGCE course.

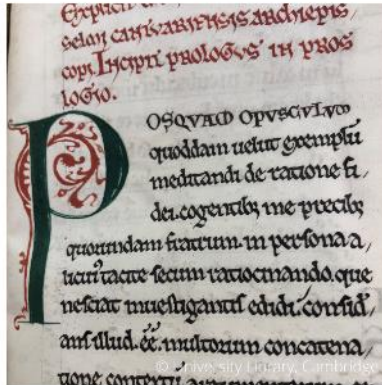


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Who is God?

Explore the attributes of God and the ancient mystic Julian of Norwich with Dr Ruth Jackson-Ravenscroft

Who is God? >



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Can we prove God's existence?

Discover Anselm's Proslogion and the ontological argument with Professor Catherine Pickstock

Can we prove God's existence? >



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What is a mosque for?

See inside the eco-friendly Cambridge mosque with Dr Tim Winter

What is a mosque for? >



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What does the parable of the prodigal son mean?

Consider the strange phenomenon of Jesus and his parables with Dr James Carleton Paget

What does the parable of the prodigal son mean? >



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What can different religions share?

Examine how religions may have more in common than is often thought with Dr Safet Hadži Muhamedović

What can different religions share? >

<https://www.divinity.cam.ac.uk/study-here/open-days/cambridge-your-classroom>

Real People, Real Faith

REAL PEOPLE REAL FAITH



A series of interviews filmed in locations across Berkshire, featuring local faith communities answering questions about their faith. Two questions, specific to each key stage were asked across the range of venues and in most venues, several people answered each question. This allows pupils and teachers to explore some of the diversity both between and within faith communities. The same six communities were interviewed at each key stage. Each film has a page of notes outlining the key questions and concepts, with a brief summary of the answers and some suggested follow-on activities.

KEY STAGE 1

KEY STAGE 2

KEY STAGE 3

<https://www.natre.org.uk/about-natre/projects/real-people-real-faith/>

Starbeck for RE Resources



We are proud to announce that Peter and Julie have agreed the sale of Starbeck.com to Wildgoose Education. The team at Wildgoose have a wealth of experience in the educational supplies industry and will continue to offer excellent service, customer support and value for money that both Wildgoose and Starbeck's customers have come to expect. Most importantly, we shall continue to offer - and add to - the widest range of interesting, exciting and fascinating artefacts and resources that Starbeck are famous for.

This website will remain active for now, but we recommend you switch to our brand new site where you can view the entire Starbeck range, place online orders, search for products, reserve Approval Boxes, leave feedback and much more.....

www.starbeck.education

Our new contact details for any enquiries, questions or comments are: **01530 836111** info@starbeck.education

(For any matters pre December 2020: 01765 607 815 or starbeck@btinternet.com)

<http://www.starbeck.com/>



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Sikhism Resources for younger pupils from Nishaani*



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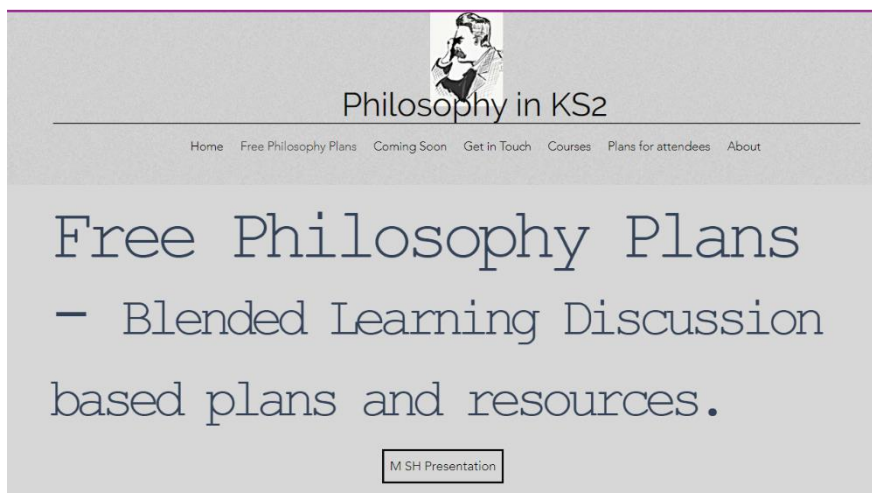
- Sikh faith dolls
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- Jas wears a Patka
- Jap & Jas puzzle
- Easy reader book (R-Y1)

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Tel: +447393 684 892
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NishaaniStore.com

An offer of 10% discount to schools lasts until 31.05.21. The code SCHOOL2020 can be used at the checkout across the store (nishaanistore.com) until this date.

Free Philosophy Resources for KS2*



Follow @philosophyinks2 on Twitter for news on an upcoming crash course of philosophy

Islam Resources for Primary RE Teachers*

IslamResources.co.uk

https://www.islamresources.co.uk/?fbclid=IwAR2aq69V6002SMpecOKhB-6YM2m90AfA0MhTMSOU_umxJvTgdN9Wb-ofai8

* By sharing these resources, we are not necessarily endorsing them, just bringing them to your attention.

Open Bible

This is a useful tool for looking up topics within the Bible as it pulls up all the relevant references

Topical Bible

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What Does the Bible Say About...

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<https://www.openbible.info/topics/>

Free Resources for Secondary RE:

NATRE's new anti-racist RE resources: 12 lessons for secondary RE, all PPTs and resources, loads of book and film reviews, professional papers.

<https://www.natre.org.uk/about-natre/projects/anti-racist-re/>



- BBC Bitesize student-facing KS3 and 4 – hundreds of pages, all awarding bodies, GCSE coverage, new films, hundreds of quiz questions, revision topics and graphics

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zh3rkqt>

- Christian Aid – 6 lessons on key topics, salvation, mission, global faith, use of the Bible, Rowan Williams interview, wealth, poverty, justice

<https://www.christianaid.org.uk/get-involved/schools/gcse-resources-re>

- RE Today with Prof Russell Stannard – 12 YouTube films on Science and Religion, with 15 classroom lessons in a free downloadable book:

<https://www.retoday.org.uk/school-support/publications/samples/science-and-belief/>

- Riding Lights Theatre Co Climate Change lessons: 7 short films with teaching resources to download. <https://ridinglights.org/baked-alaska/baked-alaska-for-schools/>

- Mission Aviation Fellowship – global Christianity, lessons, films, full sets of learning resources; <https://www.maf-uk.org/school-resources>

- Bible Society – all the GCSE Bible passages for your board to study, revise and learn, free downloads, cheap booklets:

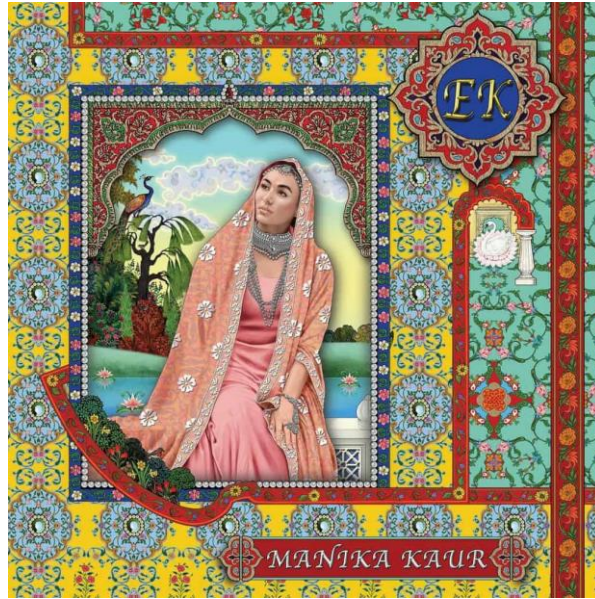
<https://educationresources.biblesociety.org.uk/>



Anti-Racist RE Resources

NATRE have produced some great 'Anti-Racist RE' resources, including primary and secondary teaching and learning resources and a very useful professional glossary. These can all be used to supplement the Coventry and Warwickshire Agreed Syllabus. You can find them here: <https://www.natre.org.uk/about-natre/projects/anti-racist-re/>

Manika Kaur: Sikh Devotional Singer



<https://religionmediacentre.org.uk/news/manika-a-devotional-sikh-singer-wants-to-bring-light-to-lockdown/>



Jewish Museum New Brochures

Primary Brochure: [Primary Learning Programme](#)

Secondary Brochure: [Secondary Learning Programme](#)

Human Rights Resources

Amnesty International UK / Get involved

Resources



Human Rights in Secondary School resource pack



<https://www.amnesty.org.uk/resources/teaching-pack-everyone-everywhere-human-rights-secondary-school>

brainpickings

What Does It Mean To Be Human? 300
Years of Definitions and Reflections

<https://www.brainpickings.org/2011/12/09/what-it-means-to-be-human-joanna-bourke/>



The Story of Human Rights

The Story of Human Rights: <https://youtu.be/oqvuYKGF1sw>

TEMPLETON GRANT AWARD MEDIA RELEASE

Project will bring vision for worldviews in RE a step closer to the classroom

Plan to create materials for building Religion & Worldviews syllabus and curriculum

The Templeton World Charity Foundation Inc. has awarded funding to the Religious Education Council of England and Wales (REC) to work with RE Today Services to take the vision of worldviews in RE a step closer to the classroom.

The £150,000 grant will fund the creation of a toolkit of materials to help subject leads and advisers build a syllabus and define a curriculum for teaching religious education framed by the new worldview vision.

Recommended as the central idea for religious education by the Commission on RE in 2018, the worldview approach emphasises the importance for pupils of an academic understanding of the contribution of religious and non-religious worldviews to human life. It focuses both on organised worldviews and on the personal worldviews that pupils bring with them into the classroom.

The new project will produce a range of syllabus frameworks and example materials that illustrate how this vision translates into different syllabus models for different contexts. The materials will be crafted over three phases during a three-year period until 2024.

Commenting on the project, Stephen Pett, project leader from RE Today, said:

“This is an exciting project, offering the opportunity to make a significant impact on the direction and quality of RE for the coming years.

“Our focus is on creating clear and practical guidance to help those who create syllabuses for the subject. We will draw on the rich possibilities opened up through a study of religious and non-religious worldviews and offer different models for applying these ideas to curriculum development. We want pupils to gain a richer understanding of religion and of religious and non-religious worldviews, as part of their understanding of the world and of themselves.”

Professor Trevor Cooling, Chair of the REC, said:

“This is an important project that takes a further step towards improving the quality and rigour of religious education and its capacity to prepare pupils for life in modern Britain. It reinforces the vital role the subject plays in enhancing society, education, and the economy.

“We believe that the new vision will enthuse pupils as they learn more about how their own personal worldviews can grow and develop through learning about organised religious and non-religious worldviews.

“As a member organisation, we will draw on the expertise of the teachers, advisers, consultants, and members of faith and belief communities who are part of the REC to develop the new frameworks. Our ultimate goal is to support teachers in planning academically rigorous and personally inspiring RE for their pupils”

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Association will be hosting a series of very special online events - The Big Virtual Iftar (via YouTube Live stream). Activities include: virtual mosque tours, live talks, Q&A sessions, live breaking of fast, #NationalFastingChallenge and much more!

It's open to everyone, and we particularly think those in the education sector would benefit. As such I would be grateful if you would be able to forward this invite to local Schools. Our next events are:

24th April 2021 (arnd 7.05pm)

30th April 2021 (arnd 7.10pm)

8th May 2021 (arnd 7.30pm)

To get your free ticket sign up on Eventbrite using following link:

<https://bvi2021.eventbrite.co.uk/?aff=LeamingtonSpaJamaat>





The Inter Faith Network

Promoting mutual respect and understanding
between the faith communities in the UK



New Inter Faith resource packs for Secondary

<https://www.interfaith.org.uk/resources/inter-faith-activity-in-the-uk-a-teacher-resource-for-secondary-pupils>

Videos to Support RE



Census 2021 - how religious affiliation determines social policy:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ND1_d5G0mvQ&t=5s

Scripture and Violence: Do holy texts really inspire terrorists?

<https://youtu.be/whgF2Gxlppo>



Out of the Darkness film. Register to view here:

<https://holocaustlearninguk.org/docufilm/>

Out of the Darkness. It is visually engaging, informative and thought provoking and is intended for use both in the classroom and students' homes.

Out of the Darkness includes the compelling testimony of a Holocaust Survivor and features a diverse cast of participating students and a rabbi. It teaches students about the Holocaust as it contextualises the Survivor Testimony and references subsequent genocides and identifies suffering where the victims are selected on the basis of being 'different' or 'other'.

Out of the Darkness is fundamentally about encouraging students to learn the lessons from the past to help build a better, safer future for everyone.

Jewish Living Experience Videos













Download a booklet here:

<https://www.bod.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/05/Jewish-Experience-Leaflet.pdf> and watch a series of videos using these links;

<https://youtu.be/gNUndyAG1wk>
<https://youtu.be/rWfVsTiKdxM>
https://youtu.be/f6sjkl_RFXg
<https://youtu.be/DKmkvAV8YN8>
<https://youtu.be/sAr4kNwIjLo>
<https://youtu.be/390uY7frwFU>
<https://youtu.be/IIDLjrRbJck>
<https://youtu.be/6BA7HqkUDUM>
<https://youtu.be/DBICSlpTDic>

What's on Your Head? Series from CBeebies



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|  <p>Series 1: 1. Firefighter Firefighter Karen shows off her fabulous and very important...</p> |  <p>Series 1: 2. Hijab We meet Sharmin, a Muslim, who tells us all about her hijab.</p> |  <p>Series 1: 3. Scuba A closer look at scuba diving gear, which helps us see...</p> |  <p>Series 1: 4. Turban We meet Rajvatan, a Sikh, who tells us all about his...</p> |
|  <p>Series 1: 5. Cycling Charlie the cyclist tells us all about why he loves wearing...</p> |  <p>Series 1: 6. Barrister Alexandra tells us why she loves wearing her brilliant...</p> |  <p>Series 1: 7. Bishop Mitre Bishop Rose tells us why her...</p> |  <p>Series 1: 8. Racing Driver Racing driver Jamie Chadwick...</p> |
|  <p>Series 1: 9. Kippah We meet Richard, who is Jewish, who tells us all about his...</p> |  <p>This episode Series 1: 10. Helicopter Paramedic</p> | | |

Several episodes are dedicated to helping children understand religious head-coverings:

- Hijab
- Turban
- Mitre
- Kippah

Series 1 is available here on BBC iPlayer:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/m000snd4/whats-on-your-head-series-1-10-helicopter-paramedic>

Free Archbishop of York's Trust Webinars



Free Twilight Webinars

Introduction to Character Education
With input from the Jubilee Centre for Character & Virtues

Wed 21st April, Tues 25th May & Wed 16th June 2021 4.00pm-4.40pm

Introduction to the Young Leaders Award, YLA

Primary KS1 & KS2

Tues 11th May, Wed 26th May, Tues 15th June, Thurs 24th June
4.00pm-4.45pm

Secondary KS3

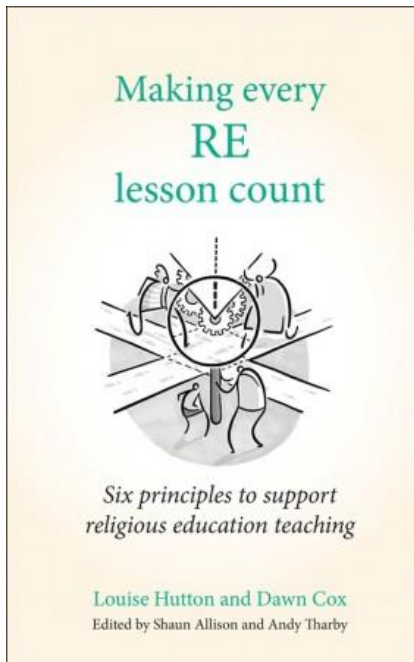
Tues 20th April & Thurs 29th April 4.00pm-4.40pm

Secondary KS4/+16

Thursday 22nd April & Wed 28th April 4.00pm-4.40pm

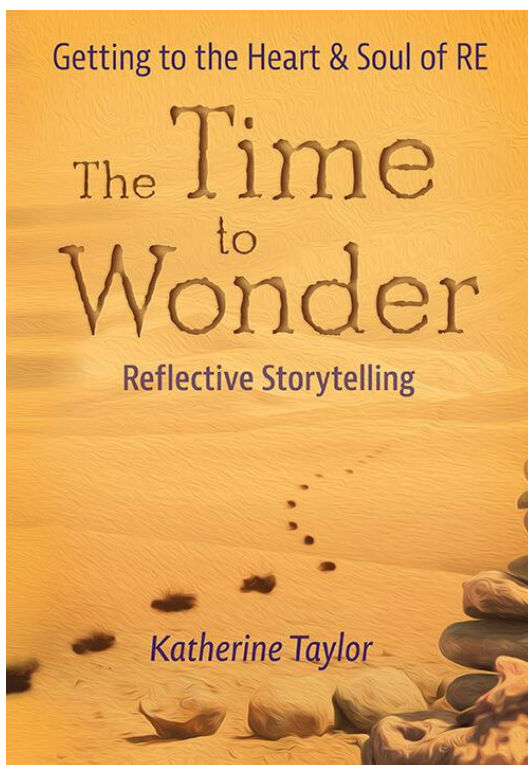
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Queries? Contact us on ytevents@abyyt.com

Recommended Books for RE



Written by Louise Hutton and Dawn Cox, *Making Every RE Lesson Count: Six principles to support religious education teaching* brings together the latest curriculum developments with evidence-informed practice and shares practical strategies for use in the RE classroom. *Making Every RE Lesson Count* is underpinned by six pedagogical principles – challenge, explanation, modelling, practice, feedback and questioning – and shares simple, realistic strategies that RE teachers can use to develop the teaching and learning in their classrooms. Suitable for RE teachers of pupils aged 11–18.

<https://www.crownhouse.co.uk/publications/making-every-re-lesson-count>

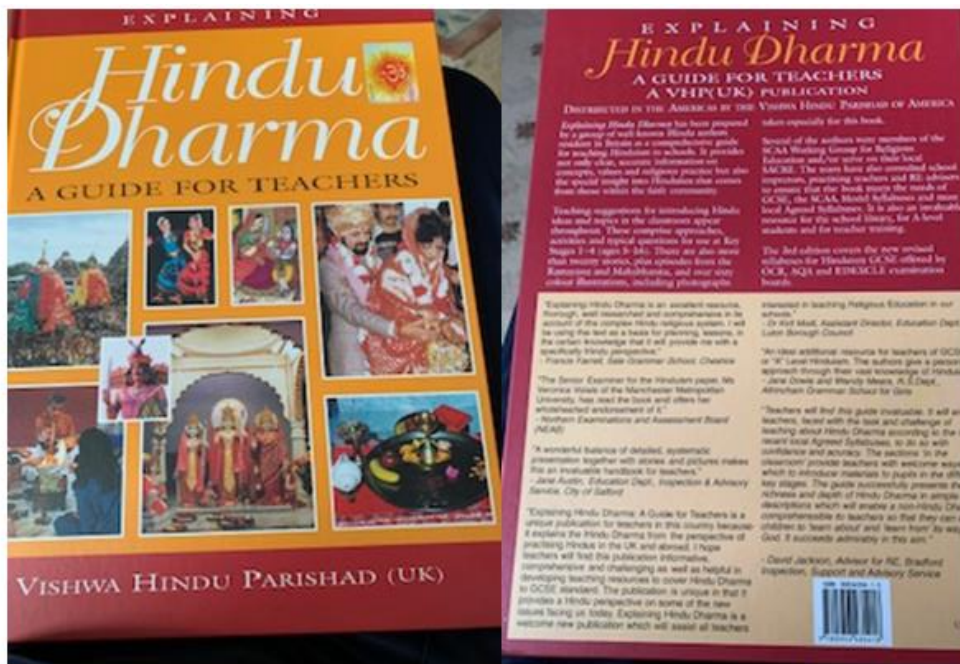


This book by Katherine Taylor gives you the opportunity to embrace reflective storytelling as a tool to deliver all of this and more...it contains one story from Buddhism, Christianity, Hinduism, Islam, Judaism and non-religious worldview; including a list of the materials you will need, what to say and what to do. It's a one stop shop for beginning the journey of mastering reflective storytelling and developing more wonderful, engaging RE.

“A brilliant book for RE experts or novices alike, bringing stories from many Worldviews to life in such a spiritual and engaging way is a must for every RE classroom.” Laura Harris, RE Lead, St.Andrews Primary, Congresbury, Bristol, LTLRE Hub Primary Leader and NATRE South

West Regional Ambassador.

<https://www.forwardthinkingpublishing.com/authors-and-books-2/katherine-taylor/>



One of SACRE Hindu contacts has shared this book with us as a good resource for schools and it is available to purchase via this link at a cost of £25.

<http://vhp.org.uk/publications-explaining-hindu-dharma/order-form/> There is a possibility of a reduced price if you wish to purchase multiple copies. Please get in touch so we can connect you with the right person to help with that.