# Religion and worldviews: creative RE that prepares pupils for a diverse world

Excellent, essential CPD - a balance of practical ideas and inspiration

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### Including:

- Deep dives: Ofsted and RE
- What on earth are worldviews?
  - Ways of knowing in RE
- Handling data: making sense of religion
  - RE 4-7s: good learning
    - RE in small schools
      - Writing well in RE



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Friday 27th May 2022

Venue: Puckrup Hall Hotel, GL20 6EL

## Fees:

£95 per delegate, or £150 for two teachers from the same school Refreshments and lunch provided

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9.15am-3.45pm

An inspiring mix of research, exploration and practical strategies, this is the best CPD you will have all year! Don't take my word for it – look at previous years' evaluations (see next page). As always, there will be an extravagance of resources and ideas to take away and use in your classrooms.

#### 8.45- Registration and refreshments

#### 9.15-10.15 Keynote 1: Making sense of worldviews Stephen Pett

National developments in RE call for more diversity about religious and non-religious ways of living. One way of doing this in the classroom is by examining worldviews – recognising that all of us encounter the world from our own perspective. This session will use practical classroom ideas to illustrate the impact of a focus on worldviews.

#### 10.30-11.30 Workshop A: choose one from the following three options:

A1. Ways of knowing
Fiona Moss The 2021 OFSTED RE
Research Review talks about
substantive knowledge, ways of
knowing and personal knowledge.
This session explores what 'ways
of knowing' means and gives
practical ways to exemplify this in
the classroom for 7-11s.

A2. RE 4-7: using good learning experiences and tasks to build children's understanding of religions Lat Blaylock

Exploring how the latest EYFS requirements apply to RE, with examples of good practice in understanding the world of religion and beliefs.

A3. RE in small schools
Ruth Gittins A major challenge
for any small school is working out
how to create a curriculum that
works with mixed age classes. This
session will explore a range of
ways of making this work, with an
experienced head teacher.

#### 11.45-12.45 Workshop B: choose one from the following three options:

B1: Where, how and why do people worship? Fiona Moss

This session will explore what worship means in the lives of Christians, Muslims and Jews, as well as comparing religious and non-religious celebrations of New Year. Practical classroom ideas for 7-11s.

B2. Writing well in RE 7-11 – examples from 4 religions
Lat Blaylock This session will present a dozen different writing strategies for RE with an emphasis on using rich knowledge to show understanding of key religious content.

B3. How can non-religiousness be part of RE? Stephen Pett

Research shows over 70% of teens are non-religious. This probably means many (most?) of your children are too. What does it mean for RE? Practical ideas to explore and connect non-religiousness to learning in RE.

#### 1.45-2.45 Workshop C: choose one from the following three options:

C1. Deep diving into RE
Fiona Moss What types of
questions might OFSTED or other
inspectors ask and how might
you answer them?

C2. Teaching about Muslims: making progress from 5-11

Lat Blaylock Practical strategies to enable pupils to demonstrate progress in learning about Muslims through primary school.

C3. Data on religion: what is really going on? Stephen Pett

A chance to examine some fascinating data on how people believe, belong and behave. Get your pupils (7-11s) to be scholars of data - thinking, questioning, analysing and applying.

#### 3.00-3.45 Keynote 2: Spirited RE! Lat Blaylock

Some inspiring examples of pupil art and expression. A boost for the next academic year!

Copies of all resources used on the day will be available to take away, and electronic copies available to download afterwards. A range of resources will be available to purchase or order on the day.

#### Who is it for?

The conference is aimed at teachers of RE from primary schools, including subject leaders and head teachers. It will also be valuable for governors to find out about and explore best practice in RE.

#### Aims:

- To explore excellent practice for implementing the Gloucestershire Agreed Syllabus for RE, in the context
  of the new Ofsted Framework 2019 and the Ofsted Research Review 2021
- To provide practical support and guidance to schools in thinking about the intent of the syllabus and planning creative, challenging, thoughtful RE to implement it, increasing pupils' knowledge and understanding, as well as their personal development
- To give teachers confidence in planning and delivering great RE, deepening subject knowledge and skills
- To model examples of thoughtful RE, challenging all pupils and promoting deeper thinking

#### Why should I attend?

This annual SACRE conference has received consistently excellent feedback over the last ten years. It addresses the Gloucestershire agreed syllabus requirements directly, with a wide range of clear, helpful and practical ideas and resources. Keynote speakers offer inspiration and refreshment as well as giving you materials and suggestions to take away and apply in your classroom. A fantastic opportunity to meet other teachers and share questions and experiences. But don't just take our word for it – here are a few representative comments from previous conferences:

#### From 2021 online conference:

- Very good, ran very smoothly and despite being virtual still took away great ideas. Great use of breakout groups and interaction.
- I found this course very inspiring, engaging and informative. Thank you very much to you all.
- Informative and useful. Delivered in a friendly, supportive and informative way.
- Excellent, very inspiring thank you.
- It was a really uplifting day much needed as we near the end of two very disrupted years. So many good ideas and thought provoking sessions. Thank you
- Very helpful and inspiring with lots of practical ideas and useful to know the updates going on in the world of RE
- Always really useful stuff to take away and implement straight away. Many thanks.
- My first conference and I am new to headship lots to think about and some ideas I can use in the classroom straight away
- Being a new RE lead (1 month in) it was lovely to have some input into alternate ways to teach RE especially in EYFS/KS1
- Brilliant, as always! Useful and informative. Thank you so much.
- Really enjoyed it unfortunate it couldn't be face to face but am glad it was continued online. Always one of the highlights of the year!
- Thanks, Missing Puckrup Hall but was still really useful.

#### From 2019:

- Possibly the best conference (school based) I've been on. Engaging from the beginning to the end. Very practical and inspiring about how 'good' RE can be. If we love it, the children will too. Thank you.
- Very worthwhile day. Thank you! I feel once again both inspired and encouraged about the RE teaching in our school.
- Good to remember why we become teachers. Great to have space to think and reflect upon RE Good to keep the broad vision of RE. Bringing the 'joy' to RE. Thank you.
- Thank you once again, really thought-provoking and inspiring. Super mixture of research, subject knowledge, Ofsted framework implications and practical ideas.
- Keynote 1: great time for thought on non-religious. Inspiring lives: so much to take away. Film: great opportunity to have time to think creatively. Assessment: Brilliant thanks to presenters for sharing ideas. Thank you for keeping the conference so relevant and practical ideas to use in school.
- The poetry and texts session was really brilliant and highlighted some good cross-curricular ideas to use. Great to see some really good assessment strategies for RE which will be very effective at measuring children's progress throughout the unit.
- I get so inspired each year by this conference! Brilliant practical ideas I take back and give to my staff to engage them in RE.

#### From 2018:

- Massive thanks to the team for an excellent conference. Looking forward to the next one!
- As always a very inspiring conference, lots of excellent ideas & thoughts to consider for whole school improvement in RE.
- As a new governor, it was a great introduction into current teaching of the subject
- As usual, this conference has left me totally inspired and able to deliver excellent, engaging RE to my classes. Fantastic again, thank you all.
- As always, the whole day was inspiring and motivating. I found the session with local teachers to be particularly useful and I
  do enjoy listening to Lat!

#### **Booking form: Gloucestershire Primary RE Conference 2022:**

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