

Creative, Engaging and Challenging RE

Conference Programme 28th November 2014

ES-1114-T028 Pavilions, Harrogate, HG2 8NZ

A regional conference day for teachers of RE delivered in partnership with York SACRE, North Yorkshire SACRE and Diocese of York

Key Speaker Profiles

Lat Blaylock Lat is the Editor of RE Today magazine, and a national RE adviser in the UK. He was a classroom teacher of RE for 11 years in a large secondary school in Leicester. He meets about 3000 teachers of

RE every year through his training and professional development work. He has published a number of RE resources, including making six series of broadcasts with the BBC. He has written 4 best selling packages of visual learning materials, called 'Picturing Jesus' which use the global art of the contemporary Christian communities for RE. He has written many RE syllabuses and schemes of work for clients all over England, and trains about 3000 teachers a year through his practical and inspiring professional development days. He was the specialist writer of the RE Council's new National Curriculum Framework for RE, published in October 2013.

Alan Brine Ofsted's former national lead for RE from 2007 to 2014; responsible for the 2013 Ofsted report 'RE: realising the potential'. More recently he led the review of RE in Anglican Church schools which led to the report 'Making a Difference?' published September 2014. Alan has been involved with the RE Council in developing guidance on curriculum design following the publication of the 2013 National Framework for RE.



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Conference Agenda

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9:30-9:45	Refreshments and market place
9:45—9:55	Introduction and welcome from the Chair of North Yorkshire SACRE, Chair of York SA- CRE and York Diocese
9:55 –10:45	Keynote speaker: Lat Blaylock. 'Creative, en- gaging and challenging RE'
10:45-11-35	Workshop 1
11:35—12:05	Coffee and market place
12:05—12:55	Workshop 2
12:55-13:50	Lunch and market place. Displays from schools
13:50—14:30	Keynote speaker: Alan Brine, former RE HMI Facing the Challenges of RE - an excit- ing time to turn threats into opportunities
14:30 –15:30	Workshop 3
15:30	Close

Workshop Speakers Profiles

Sheikh Abid Salik the Imam of York Mosque "who led the community to tackle anger and hatred with peace and warmth by offering the protesters tea and biscuits with absolute sincerity." This was covered by the regional and National's Media, as: "A mosque has been praised for serving tea and biscuits to English Defence League supporters after the far-right group arranged a demonstration there."

Nasr Emam, is A Muslim Chaplain, Chair of NY SACRE and leader of the Scarborough Muslim Association. Nasr is also the Chair of IAG (Independent Advisory Group) for North Yorkshire Police

Sharon Artley has been working in RE for over 30 years. She has published articles, digital resources and run courses locally and nationally

Sharon is webmaster for the RE Council, REQM (also an assessor) and NASACRE (also Exec member).

She holds degrees in Theology, has a Fellowship in Holocaust Education with the Imperial War Museum and is north east regional support worker for the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust

Shabana Jabbar has been a subject leader for 15 years in Yorkshire. During this time, she has also been a pastoral leader and led on initiatives such as Stonewall School Champion.

She has been a member of the National Executive for NATRE and is currently the Chair of York SACRE. She is the RE link in York for primary and secondary RE and led the curriculum support groups.

She completed a Farmington Fellowship in 2011 and her workshops are loosely based on the work she did with a number of schools and her own school.

Olivia Seymour is an Education Adviser for the Diocese of York, supporting schools on Religious Education and collective worship by producing resources, putting on training events, sharing good practice and developing networks. Olivia is also Vice Chair (Secondary) of the National Association of Teachers of Religious Education (NATRE)

Simone Bennett is Headteacher at Christ Church C.E Primary School, Skipton and an ordained Priest in the Church of England, having trained at Warwick University and at Westcott House, Cambridge.

She has been teaching for more than 20 years and has a passion for high quality RE and reflective learning. She is a member of the Diocesan Board of Education and the North Yorkshire SACRE.

In 2014, Christ Church became the second North Yorkshire School to be awarded the RE Quality Mark Gold Award.

Rachel Oates is a Year 3 Teacher at Forest of Galtres Anglican Methodist Primary School, a peer Practitioner for RE and a member of North Yorkshire SACRE. Her school were the first North Yorkshire school to receive the RE Quality Mark. Gold Award.



Roop Singh started telling stories about the Sikh Gurus in local schools so that non Sikh children would be able to understand what it mean to be a Sikh. His simple style and clear explanations were so popular with children, teachers and parents that they passed his name around everywhere. Today Roop Singh travels around the world entertaining and educating his audiences with his special brand of story-telling.

Mike Jory is a School Improvement Adviser and York LA SACRE lead

Gill Vaisey provides a wide range of consultancy services to those concerned with children's religious education and spiritual development. Gill is a qualified teacher and a nationally recognised specialist in Early Years and Religious Education provision. Gill has over twenty year's experience in providing training for RE. She is known for her enthusiastic manner, her inspirational ideas and down to earth approach in sharing and demonstrating best practice in RE from Early Years to Key Stage 2.

Workshop Information

Workshop 1—Options

	Title		Phase
1	Contribu- tion from the Muslim Communi- ty - A mod- el of good practice for schools Sheikh Abid Salik Nasr Emam	 The workshop will consist of: Practical ideas of how to engage and integrate with Muslims Positive approach of how to tackle Islamophobia Carousel of activities .e.g. Prayer's Time, Direction of Makkah, Clothing and Traditions Arabic writing Islamic stories etc How to follow up back in class 	Cross phase focus
2	RE Quality Mark Rachel Oates, Simone Bennett	RE Quality Mark: Gold Award winners share their RE practice	Cross phase focus
3	Fun RE for the foun- dation stage and KS1 Gill Vaisey	This lively workshop will demonstrate the effective use of resources produced by Gill, to specifically support cultural awareness and RE for Early Years and KS1 pupils. We will explore how these cross- curricular resources provide opportunity for young children to engage with appropriate and meaning- ful aspects of religious education whilst learning through play and also developing literacy and nu- meracy skills.	Early Years/ KS1/Special focus
4	The Three C's and RE Sharon Artley	This workshop looks at how integrating digital technologies in RE can lead to creativity, communication and collaboration. It will consider how the use of ICT can engage learners, raise achievement, enhance delivery and provide opportunities for high quality RE outcomes. A series of simple strategies will provide a range of ideas for all age groups.	Cross phase focus
5	Curriculum design - a priority for RE. Alan Brine	The workshop will explore recent thinking about the art of designing an effective RE curriculum. This will also explore the idea that new thinking about assessment needs to start with the curricu- lum.	Secondary focus

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2	Curriculum design - a priority for RE. 		Primary focus
3	Enquiry based learning in RE Shabana Jabbar/ Mike Jory	An opportunity to explore the use of constructive dialogue in the classroom through the use of real religious artefacts	Secondary focus
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5	Story-telling to bring RE alive Roop Singh	To be Finalised	Primary/ Special focus
6	'Big RE' :RE project days/weeks Olivia Sey- mour	This workshop will explore creative ways to de- velop RE across the curriculum through RE days and weeks	Primary/ Special fo- cus

Workshop 3 Options

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1	Levels 1-6 in RE: Examples of tasks and outcomes Lat Blaylock	This workshop will present some well worked out tasks and some examples of pupils' work to illustrate progression and achievement in the classroom in a very usable and practical way.	Cross phase focus
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4	Creative ideas for visits and visitors in RE Olivia Sey- mour	This workshop will explore creative ways to include visits and visitors into your RE pro- gramme of learning	KS2/3 focus
5	Holocaust Memorial Day and RE Sharon Artley	"Keep the memory alive" is the theme for Holo- caust Memorial Day 2015. 27 January 2015 marks the 70th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau. 2015 will also be the 20th anniversary of the genocide in Srebrenica, Bos- nia. This workshop will consider the theme for HMD 2015 and explore a variety of ways in which it can be developed in RE.	KS2-5 focus

Want to join our community of practice?

Secondary RE Network

Booking Code	Course Title	Course Date
ES-1214-T001	Secondary RE Network - Autumn	03-Dec-14
ES-0315-T010	Secondary RE Network - Spring	04-Mar-15
ES-0715-T002	Secondary RE Network - Summer	03-Jul-15

Primary Course/Network

Booking Code	Course Title	Course Date
ES-0315-T008	Primary RE Network	26-Mar-15
ES-0615-T036	Developing Primary RE	25-Jun-15

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	Date	Venue
£130 fee and standard discounts for NY schools	Friday 28	Pavilions
17 October booking deadline	November	Harrogate
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