



## Spring term news 2024

### Places of Interest and School Speaker training

273 School Speakers and 115 Places of Interest are live on the RE Hubs website (nearly 400 different people and places). 100% of those who have attended our training have rated it 4 or 5 out of 5 stars. They are grateful for the support and opportunity to find out what others are doing, and highly recommend this to others.

*"Great to network and to meet other practitioners. Always keen to hear about what has worked for faith leaders, either from group or from experts. More of this would have been welcome".*

*"Very focused and engaging presentation where we were able to share and learn from Experience. I thought that 90 minutes was just right! I will recommend this training to other friends. Thank you so much!!"*

We are aware it remains a challenge for some schools to provide their pupils with experiences and engagement from a range of religions and non-religious worldviews. RE Hubs is designed to help schools, SACREs, and Interfaith Networks make these connections. The more places and speakers we can advertise, the better we can help to bridge these gaps, ensuring that pupils get to meet and learn from lived experience.

Registering is easy and free, simply by visiting our website (<https://www.re-hubs.uk/get-involved/get-involved/>) and click to register as a place of interest or a schools speaker or both!. Do get in touch with your RE Hubs Lead if, as an organisation, a bespoke session would be helpful or if you have trained elsewhere to see if we can advertise what you do.

### Local Teacher Groups

#### Local Group registration

Do you run a local group for RE Teachers? If you haven't as yet registered your group on our website then you can do that here: <https://www.re-hubs.uk/get-involved/register-local-group/>. Did you know there is a new function on the RE Hubs website that enables you to enter details of your upcoming local group meetings. You can add your meetings by following this link: <https://www.re-hubs.uk/get-involved/register-local-group-meeting/>

#### New to Leading a Local RE Teacher Group Training

Are you new to leading a local group for RE Teachers?

Join us for 3 twilight sessions exploring effective local group leadership and have the opportunity to share ideas and network with fellow local group leaders! This training runs on zoom over 3 sessions in the spring and summer term on the following dates





- Thursday 14th March 4-5.30pm
- Thursday 18th April 4-5.30pm
- Thursday 16th May 4-5.30pm

To book a place click here: <https://forms.office.com/e/QW3n0EKyFh>

A couple of comments from recent participants:

“Informative, engaging and such a vital link of support.” Nicola

“This training has really helped my confidence in leading my first meeting – thank you.” Heather

### **Local Leaders CPD training**

How do you equip yourself to ‘step into the role’ of a CPD trainer?

How do you make the transition from being a colleague to your fellow teachers, to becoming a trainer and RE CPD leader?

How do you overcome imposter syndrome in your new role?

The next local leaders session is on 17 April from 4 pm on Zoom and will support you to grow your network with ideas for best practice, top tips and resources from RE experts. The session will include input from network leaders who will speak about their own networks and how they plan and develop them.

To book a place: <https://forms.office.com/e/wkrRM1DbTE>

### **National MAT Lead Network**

#### **Do you lead Religious Education across a MAT?**

Why not join our national MAT RE network and have the opportunity to meet with other RE Leads from MATs across the country. This is a great opportunity hear from other MAT RE leads about how they have engaged & informed SLT on RE and find out where other MAT RE leads go to support RE learning.

The next meeting is on 25<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2024 - 4:00 TO 5:30PM

Book your place here: <https://forms.office.com/e/BZaHDGG69J>

This event will be free for all RE leads in MATs who have NATRE or AREIAC membership. If you are not a member of either organisation, we encourage you to join or a fee will be payable to attend this meeting of £100 <https://www.natre.org.uk/membership>  
<https://www.areiac.org.uk/join-areiac>





## Parental Engagement Project with Special Objects

The Faith and Belief Forum is looking for 12 primary schools across the North West to join their Identity Unboxed Project. You can find out more about this wonderful project and express your interest on this link [here](#). Schools from Manchester, Wigan, Lancaster and the Morecambe Bay Area of Cumbria and Lancashire are particularly encouraged to register their interest. This project is funded by Culham St Gabriel's Trust.

## Culham St Gabriel's Leadership Scholarship Programme

This programme aims to provide opportunities for emerging Religion and Worldviews leaders to expand and deepen their reflections on educational leadership in the subject, through receiving mentoring, structured challenges, research insights, inspirational networking events, and experience of professional development delivery.

The funded programme aims to develop leaders to be research, political, classroom and curriculum engaged.

The programme welcomes applicants from England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland and is open to teachers from key stages 1 through 5, who are leading RE outside their own school.

Closing date for applications is 22nd March 2024

**Want to know more?** Join the free webinar on Tuesday 27th February at 6.30pm <https://www.cstg.org.uk/activities/events/leadership-scholarship-programme-webinar/>



## Personal Knowledge in Religious Education National Survey 2024

You are invited to take part in this survey. The link is: [https://hud.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_4PdNrrP3xGb0DPM](https://hud.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_4PdNrrP3xGb0DPM)

Please complete the national survey about Personal Knowledge in Religious Education (RE). It takes 15-20 minutes. Your professional experience in RE really counts! By completing the survey you're contributing to supporting RE. Complete the survey if you're a trainee, TA, HLTA, teacher, teacher-educator, RE Advisor, or have any other professional role related to RE.

The survey is part of a project about Personal Knowledge in RE funded by All Saints Educational Trust and led by Dr Emma Salter at the University of Huddersfield. If you have questions about the project or the survey contact Emma at [e.salter@hud.ac.uk](mailto:e.salter@hud.ac.uk). The aims of the project are to find out how Personal Knowledge is understood by different RE stakeholders and to develop high quality resources to support RE.

Please share the survey link with other RE professionals across your networks. The survey closes on 28 March 2024.

