

Havering SACRE,

Local RE update

Subject Leaders' meetings

This term's Subject Leaders' training was delivered via Zoom on 29th September. We thought about visits and visitors in RE and focused on SACRE's new scheme.

Next term's Subject Leaders' meeting will be held on Wednesday 3rd February. The focus will be on progression and assessment in RE. This will give the Subject Leaders opportunities to see and share examples of pupils' work and consider standards.

RE Syllabus Review

Julia Diamond-Conway has been in discussions with members of Havering Education Services' (HES) staff about suggested revisions to the syllabus. Of the items requested by SACRE, the most pressing have been considered to be:

An assessment exemplification document

A document to highlight progression within the syllabus in light of the new Ofsted inspection framework

Update unit 2.14 which has proved unpopular in Havering schools

HES have asked RE Today Services for a quote for a half day launch conference so that the new resources can be introduced to schools.

As per SACRE's request, Julia Diamond-Conway asked HES if it would be possible for all of the items requested by SACRE to be funded, over a 2 year period.

Virtual Visits and Visitors Scheme

Dawn Ladbrook, John Smailes, Marlene Wylie and Julia Diamond-Conway have met and been in contact about this project since the last SACRE meeting. Romford Evangelical Free Church have created their presentation so that pupils can take a virtual tour of the place of worship and find out about the community.

Protocols have been drawn up for both schools and belief communities involved in the 'virtual visitors' part of the scheme.

The presentation, Romford Evangelical Free Church's contact details and the protocols have recently been added to the portal.

Many thanks to Havering staff for helping to create protocols and ensuring that the project can be hosted online.

It is hoped that St Andrew's will soon be added to the scheme and that this can then be broadened out to include other communities. In order to ensure that the scheme can grow, SACRE members

might like to consider applying for a Westhill NASACRE Award. <https://nasacre.org.uk/westhill-nasacre-awards>. It would also be useful to think about which communities could join the scheme in the near future.