



This newsletter has been sent to Headteachers and RE leads – please forward on to anybody else who'd be interested. I am making my way round the county, and I would love to come and say hello and visit your school if I haven't done already. Do email me with a suitable time to pop in.

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Network Meeting

For all RE and CW leaders, our first meeting will be on **Wednesday 27th November** at 3:45pm on Zoom.

It'll be a chance to hear about some all-important updates and resources for RE/CW and see some familiar faces from other schools! Link below...

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87474364766?pwd=mWxXZE00mwF4wSN1Oy5Q5aEgHrli47.1>

Meeting ID: 874 7436 4766

Passcode: 515679

Visits and Visitors

The RE Hub is working on gathering together a list of speakers and places to visit to supplement your RE teaching. www.re-hubs.uk

Some of you may remember EEFA, unfortunately they no longer provide the agency role to help link up speakers and places, but there are still some details on their website of local places of worship that you may wish to visit.

www.eefa.co.uk/index_sch.htm

Have you been to our wonderful cathedral in Bury St Eds? They run lots of excellent workshops and sessions for schools (EYFS-KS4), which can link into your RE. **Kim Judge** runs the Learning Hub at the Cathedral. Contact Kim at:

learninghub@stedscathedral.org



Spiritual Development

Finding ways to plan for and articulate Spiritual Development in Church Schools can feel really daunting! Many recent SIAMS inspections have challenged leaders to gain clarity in this area. In order to help, I am undertaking a project with a small group of pilot schools this term, aiming to develop a step-by-step process to help SLTs navigate their community towards creating a unique definition of spirituality for their setting and build a resourced action plan to re-invigorate this aspect of education. Leaning upon research and the experience of other schools, we hope to provide you with the support you need to grow in confidence!

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Resources and Padlets

These are our main pages for resources. The padlets have lots of useful resources for RE and CW. If you're looking for something in particular but can't find it, do email me! www.cofesuffolk.org/schools/school-leaders/religious-education/re-resources and

www.cofesuffolk.org/schools/resources-and-information/religious-education

Sharing Resources

I know that lots of you have created so many wonderful resources for both RE and CW. To help support each other, I've created a padlet for us all to use to share resources that you think may be helpful to others and save them time. Do email them to me to pop on there. Full credit given for any submissions! 😊



October: Black History Month

Sanctuary Foundation are hosting an online assembly for Primary schools on Thursday 15th October at 9:05am. You'll need a ticket to join but it's free. Tickets available at:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/great-big-live-assembly-black-history-month-2024-primary-schools-tickets-1007377893397>



November: Inter Faith Week and Remembrance

Excellent resources available here to compliment your RE and History teaching and/or CW time.

www.interfaithweek.org/resources/remembrance and www.britishlegion.org.uk/get-involved/remembrance/teaching-remembrance

10-17 November 2024



Inter Faith Week

Heart for the Earth

These resources provide wonderful planning for Collective Worship around issue of climate change.

www.stalbansdiocese.org/schools/heart-for-the-earth

NB: All the plans are open access, where it says 'protected resources' this refers to some schools videos that can't be shared nationally.



December: Advent

Four weeks of CW resources unpacking the theme of 'Calm and Bright', through the perspectives of the Angel Gabriel, Joseph, a shepherd and Mary and encourage learners to consider how they can bring calmness and brightness to the world. cofe.io/CalmAndBright



Scholarship Programmes

For those who are keen on learning more and developing their RE practice, Culham St Gabriel offer programmes that are **fully funded**. www.cstg.org.uk/scholarships/



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FOR THE DOUBTFUL
FOR THE WONDERING
FOR THE INTRIGUED**

Alpha: Exploring the Christian faith

For anyone wanting to understand more about the Christian faith that underpins our church schools, Alpha is a free course that can be done in-person or online. Have a look on alpha.org for more details.

