



# R.E. Matters

*Inspiring and transforming education*

*Supporting Primary Schools*

**2022/23**

Welcome to the eleventh edition of our brochure.

You will find that it incorporates established and new courses as well as programmes that will run throughout 2022-2023.

Quality assurance:

All our programmes operate within a quality assurance framework as set out by The RE Council for England and Wales.

Course venues:

Will be accessible and of a high quality or school based.

Course Support

A full set of course notes and digital support will be available to all participants.

*Claire Clinton*  
Education Advisor



Disclaimer: The courses in this brochure are continually updated and amended, and although courses will not be significantly altered, the details enclosed in this brochure may be subject to change.

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## Advisory Prices 2022/23

With this brochure you will have received an A4 pieces of paper which gives you the dates and prices for all the courses and training we offer for the year ahead, as an easy one page reference. At the bottom of this document is a google form link for you to click on and fill out to take out the partnership. We will then sort this for your school.

### Special Offer

*Send your sign up form in before May to receive £100 off your order price*

## RE Insurance

RE Matters offers schools a special deal around RE insurance. Should your school need support or advice around religion, this insurance is a one off payment for the year ahead that covers all the time we would give your school to deal with the issue. It might be around religion and PE, Music, Food, dress or trips out. We will come and speak with staff and/or parents around the issue to help your school to resolve and move forward dealing seriously with issues that arise from time to time arise.

Cost:  
£100 to partnership schools;  
£200 to non-partnership schools

## RE Network Meetings

Religious Education network meetings are arranged to provide opportunities to bring together RE subject leaders within primary schools to meet, network and work collaboratively on projects and help them in middle manager responsibilities.

### Network Meetings will:

- Update Subject Leaders on Local and National information;
- Help Subject Leaders understand their role and responsibilities within school ready for the new Ofsted framework;
- Share best practice models and examples in RE; and
- Work with outside agencies and faith groups to support schools in delivering high quality RE.

### Dates for Meetings in 2022/23

Tuesday 11th October 2022  
Wednesday 8th February 2023  
Wednesday 7th June 2023

Time: 2:00pm to 5:00pm  
Venue: Elmhurst Primary School, Upton Park Road,  
London, E7 8JY

I never miss them, informative  
and enjoyable!

Teacher  
*Brampton Primary School*



For me as a subject leader these meetings  
help me with my subject knowledge as  
well as keeping on top of national and local  
developments

Teacher  
*Carpenters Primary School*

Cost:

Free to partnership schools;  
£150 per meeting to non-partnership schools

## CPD Support

A key finding from the Teacher Development Trusts

‘Developing Great Teachers’ review reported that subject-specific CPD is more effective, in terms of its impact on pupil outcomes, than generic pedagogic CPD. So, whether you’re looking to freshen up your RE teaching ideas or equip a new subject leader with the skills and knowledge required, here at RE Matters we have everything you and your school needs.

RE Matters has built up over the last seven years a team who can help your school develop in the following areas:

- Book monitoring and pupil voice;
- Model lessons in RE and P4C; Model Collective Worship;
- Pupil progress reviews and reports; and
- Subject leadership support



## CPD Support

Assisting Claire Clinton in delivering school CPD are:

**Marie Hardie - Brampton Primary School.**

Marie has taught for 20+ years in Newham schools and in her career has taught all key stages as well as being an Advanced Skills teacher in PSHE and deputy head teacher in her primary school. She is an outstanding teacher, inspiring to watch and learn from. She leads RE conference days, network meetings and training along with Claire, as an experienced practitioner. She is trained in P4C (philosophy for children) and enjoys working in new schools and with new staff modelling high quality RE.



**Catriona Martin**



Catriona has been involved in education for the last 30 years and has taught across all Key Stages within primary and secondary schools. She has developed and run national programmes, creating curriculum resources for schools around shared values and themes. Catriona has had school leadership responsibility for the wellbeing of pupils, parents and staff. Catriona is

## Staff CPD Twilight Sessions

One hour to 1.5 hours training available to your staff team

### Session 1: Thoughtful RE

This twilight will give staff confidence to reflect on the types of questions they ask when teaching RE, and will give them practical, usable resources for ensuring high order thinking skills are being used in their RE teaching from EYFS to KS1 & KS2.

### Session 2: Outstanding RE

This twilight will give staff the opportunity to understand the purpose of RE. Providing support around progression in RE as well as providing plenty of inspirational tasks for staff to use.

### Session 3: Creative RE

This twilight focuses on using a wide range of creative pedagogies to teach RE with. It seeks to strengthen teachers ability to plan for RE in cross curricular ways, helping to raise standards in RE.



Our staff twilight on thoughtful RE has been extremely valuable for the teachers as they are now planning these skills into RE lessons and they can see clear skill progression for children as they move on, across the school.

Staff  
*Central Park Primary School*

Cost:  
£220 to partnership schools;  
£250 to non-partnership schools

## Visit a Place of Worship

Visit a place of worship takes place throughout the academic year. RE Matters seeks to encourage RE learning outside the classroom through supporting schools to organise visits to local places of worship.

Buying into a partnership with RE Matters ensures that your RE subject leader will receive:

- Support in planning and organising these visits throughout your school;
- Receive a database and map of over 90 local and London places of worship who are happy to receive visits from Newham schools; and
- Entry for your school's work into the Place of Worship competition.

*The database will give clear addresses, contact name, e-mail and phone details for places of worship. It will also show which places of worship have attended faith leaders training on leading a school visit. Schools will receive this database October 2022*



I love the fact that we can go out and visit different religious buildings and our pupils get to have first hand experiences.

Staff

*Central Park Primary School*

Cost:

Free to partnership schools;  
£200 per meeting to non-partnership schools

## ECT Training

Training for ECTs is imperative if staff are to have the knowledge and skills to teach religious education well in Newham. If your school is not part of the Boleyn Trust ECT programme then RE Matters offers these half day training.

### ECT training covers:

- Using the Newham RE Agreed Syllabus;
- The religious and cultural make up of Newham;
- Where to go to get questions on religions answered;
- Resources to use in RE lessons;
- Being creative and thoughtful in teaching RE; and
- Handling sensitive questions and difficult subjects.

### Dates for Meetings in 2022/23

Wednesday 9th November 2022

OR

Wednesday 16th November 2022

Time: 1:30pm to 4:30pm

Venue: Ranelagh Primary School. Corporation Street, Stratford, E15 3DN



Today's training was awesome, so many ideas are buzzing around my head and lots of practical resources I am looking forward to using.

Staff

*Park Primary School*

Cost:

£30 for 1 ECT  
£45 for 2 ECT's  
£60 for 3+ for the half day

## Tour of Places of Worship

This one day course provides staff, NQTs and HLTAs with the experience of visiting 6 different places of worship in Newham with the RE advisor. It acts as a days 'master class' in religion.

### Dates for courses in 2022/23

Monday 28th November 2022

Monday 27th February 2023

Thursday 22nd June 2023

Time: Meet at 8:45am to 5:00pm

*\*Refreshments and lunch will be provided\**



This CPD was a fantastic opportunity to develop my subject knowledge not only in religion, but in life. I would recommend this CPD to anyone with a remote interest in culture, religion or places of worship.

Teacher  
*St James C of E Junior School*

Cost:  
£160 to partnership schools;  
£200 to non-partnership schools

## Preparing for Ofsted

RE Matters offers a number of services that can help support your schools preparation for an Ofsted deep dive in RE such as:

- Middle leader interview preparation;
- Ofsted documentation check;
- Understanding progression in RE;
- SMSC & FBVs monitoring and impact analysis;
- Book moderation check;
- Support to middle leaders in running a lesson observation; and
- Capturing best practice examples

### Applying for a RE Quality Mark

RE Matters offers a free service to partnership schools to help them through the process of application for this national award. REQM can support excellent practice in schools.



When I had a new RE co-ordinator, having Claire to work alongside her and develop her skills in monitoring books and questioning children has identified our strengths and areas we need to develop: such as higher order questioning for our more able. With out Claire I doubt we would have identified this ourselves. I highly recommend her

Headteacher  
*Hallsville & Scott Wilkie Primary*



## New to Leading RE

This twilight course seeks to give staff who are new to being the RE subject leader in a primary school an introduction to the role and responsibility, ensuring they are ready for their work in the year ahead as effective middle managers.

### Dates for meetings in 2022/23

Wednesday 21st September 2022

&

Wednesday 23rd November 2022

Time: 4:00pm to 6:00pm

Venue: Ranelagh Primary School. Corporation Steet, Stratford, E15 3DN



I found the 'new to leading R.E.' course incredibly helpful and a great starting point for leading the subject in school. It was great to be able to ask questions about the new R.E. curriculum and to understand the thinking behind it. I found the talk from an experienced R.E. leader particularly useful as she shared some tips about how to make it work.' in practise with us.

Teacher

*Sandringham Primary School*

Cost:

£120 to partnership schools when paying in advance;  
£160 to partnership schools paying after the training  
£200 to non-partnership schools

## Inspiring Collective Worship

This one day course seeks to support those with school responsibilities for organising and leading Acts of Collective Worship (ACW). The day offers:

- Practical advice for staff to experience a number of different forms of ACW;
- Time for reflection and planning;
- Knowledge of Ofsted's drive on fundamental British values, with examples of how ACW can make a valuable contribution;
- Understanding the legal requirements for ACW, school policy documents; and
- A wealth of resources shared.

### Date

Wednesday 22nd March 2023

Time: 10:00am to 4:00pm

Venue: Ranelagh Primary School. Corporation Steet, Stratford, E15 3DN

*\*Refreshments and lunch will be provided\**



An inspiring day, I now feel confident to start to lead in my new role and develop Collective Worship in my school.

Staff

*Dersingham Primary School*

Cost:

£100 to partnership schools;  
£160 to non-partnership schools



## Staff & Pupil Wellbeing Sessions

Claire Clinton and Lucy Still (ASHT at Plashet School) lead these sessions which are proving popular with schools across Newham. Sessions or lessons can focus on staff or on pupils or a combination of both. Our work with schools is bespoke. The sessions last from 1 hour to 1.5 hours.

### Session 1: Why staff wellbeing is important

This twilight will give staff an understanding of the pressures encountered in their work life and how these play out. It will give staff practical activities they use in their lives to ensure they can live their life in education well, but learn how to switch off.

### Session 2: Successful strategies to enable pupil wellbeing

This twilight will give staff understanding and experience of successful strategies that work for pupils to help them become more emotionally resilient.

### Session 3: Modelling Stilling

This lesson would model for teachers how to work well with pupils to help them become more emotionally resilient and enhance their well being. This in turn supports pupils to be able to engage with their learning effectively in schools.

Cost:

£220 to partnership schools;  
£250 to non-partnership schools

## Infant RE Conferences

These one day conferences bring together in 2023 18 schools at a time to work philosophically together. Around rich RE knowledge. They seek to:

- **Promote dialogue** between pupils of differing faiths and secular backgrounds;
- **Provide reflection on British Values** around the issue of tolerance and respect;
- **Provide professional development for middle managers or teachers** as they watch another teacher lead the learning and then go on to create their own conference back at their school with more pupils; and
- **Provide an opportunity for higher achieving pupils** to be stretched in their RE thinking.



- Seeing P4C in action allowed me to see how I could use it at school. When we think of philosophy it seems daunting, but this day made it clearer. It was also grate to see how you scaffolded the children's questions. I like how you turned their 'good ideas' into questions that would require a greater depth of thinking;
- I had an amazing experience observing P4C. The cross curricular links throughout the day were helpful in identifying appropriate subject areas to implement P4C; and
- Really impressed with the variety of activities we saw today in action and how useable this days experience will be in my teaching.

Teachers

## Infant RE Conferences

**Theme: 'Compassion towards others'**

**Dates for conferences**

Tuesday 25th April 2023

&

Wednesday 26th April 2023

Time: 9:45am to 2:15pm

Venue: Elmhurst Primary School. Upton Park Road,  
London, E7 8JY

*Great for new teachers to Newham to experience our approach to teaching RE as well as being able to take all materials from the day away and go on to lead the day back in their school.*

*Purposeful CPD helping staff subject knowledge.*



Cost per conference:

£100 to partnership schools paying in advance;  
£150 to partnership schools paying after the conference;  
£200 to non-partnership schools

## Junior RE Conferences

These one day conferences bring together for the first time in 2023 18 different schools to work philosophically together around an RE theme. They seek to:

- **Promote dialogue** between pupils of differing faiths and secular backgrounds;
- **Provide reflection on British Values** around the issue of tolerance and respect;
- **Provide professional development for middle managers** or teachers as they watch another teacher lead the learning and then go on to create their own conference back at their school for more children; and
- **Provide an opportunity for higher achieving pupils** to have their thinking in RE stretched.

**Theme: 'True Humanity'**

**Dates for conferences**

Wednesday 22nd February 2023

&

Thursday 23rd February 2023

Time: 9:45am to 2:15pm

Venue: Elmhurst Primary School. Upton Park Road,  
London, E7 8JY

Today was a brilliant day., inspirational and I have learnt new techniques and approaches to teaching RE. I loved seeing the children's ownership and deep thinking and can't wait to lead the day myself.

Staff

Cost per conference:

£100 to partnership schools paying in advance;  
£150 to partnership schools paying after the conference;  
£200 to non-partnership schools

## Modelling RE/P4C in the Classroom

RE Matters will model lessons in your school, bespoke programmes provided according to **your** school needs.

### Partnership School Prices:

**£200** for one 1 hour lesson and meeting with teacher for 30 minutes after to discuss what they observed

**£350** for two sessions

**£500** for 3 sessions

### Non-Partnership School Prices:

**£250** for one 1 hour lesson and meeting with teacher for 30 minutes after to discuss what they observed

**£400** for two sessions

**£600** for 3 sessions

## RE Book Looks & Pupil Voice

RE Matters will come into your school and help you access the quality of RE work in pupils books, along with helping you lead pupil voice interviews. Together these will provide you clear evidence of what is working well and any development points to ensure RE in your school is high quality and impactful.

### Partnership School Prices:

**£250** for 1/2 day (2 form entry school)

**£500** for 1 day(4 form entry school)

### Non-Partnership School Prices:

**£300** for 1/2 day

**£600** for full day

## Booking & Cancellation Procedures

To book onto any course or project please contact Georgina Neil at RE Matters on [georgina.neil@rematters.co.uk](mailto:georgina.neil@rematters.co.uk)

### Payment and Cancellation Procedure

Once a course or training has been booked with RE Matters a confirmation e-mail will be sent to the school. An invoice will be sent to the school after the training/course has been completed.

In the case of cancellation the following charges will be applied:

24 hours or less notice of cancellation - Full cost of course

25-72 hours notice of cancellation - 60% of full course fee

3-5 days notice of cancellation - 40% of full course fee



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