

West Yorkshire Update

RE, SMSC & Equality

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'Believing and Belonging' Syllabus 2019

'Believing and Belonging', the new Local Agreed RE syllabus for West Yorkshire, has now been published and will be launched in Huddersfield, Halifax and Leeds in the next few weeks.

The syllabus has been agreed by Calderdale, Kirklees and Leeds SACREs, and representatives from the SACREs and local authorities will be present as the syllabus is formally adopted.

Teaching of the syllabus will begin from September 2019. Schools can subscribe to the **West Yorkshire RE Hub** to find support and resources. See page 2 for details.



New Christianity Teaching Units:

Refer to article below for further information.

New Local Agreed Syllabus for West Yorkshire:

Syllabus launch and training

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New Syllabus training available - see box (right)

Syllabus Launch and Training Events - Don't miss out!

Huddersfield: Mon 20 May
Textile Centre of Excellence 1300-1600
Book through www.businesssolutions-kirklees.co.uk

Leeds: Wednesday 22 May
Pudsey Civic Hall 1300-1600
Book through www.leedsforlearning.co.uk
Code 011-0519-T009

Halifax: Tuesday 11 June
The Shay Stadium 1300-1600
Book by emailing debby.simpson@calderdale.gov.uk

One free place is available to each school but this must be booked.

Teaching Christianity well with the new RE syllabus

Teachers in Church and Community schools are invited to attend training enabling them to teach Christianity comprehensively using the new units on Christianity which support the new syllabus,

The course will clarify the combined requirements of the new local agreed syllabus, Ofsted and SIAMS, giving schools confidence to teach Christianity well while also promoting understanding and tolerance of diversity.

Delegates will be offered practical help to create a long-term curriculum plan covering Christianity combined with thorough teaching on world faiths. Strategies and activities for the classroom will be included, and participants will be given a full toolkit of resources.

Thursday 7th June 2019 12.30 pm – 3.30 pm , Hillside Centre, Beeston Rd, LS11 8ND
Thursday 20th June 2019 1.00 pm – 4.00 pm Savile Park at Heath , Halifax, HX1 2PS

For information please contact Ian Ross on enquiries@penninelearning.com or visit penninelearning.com

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Invitation to Batley Iftar - Saturday May 11th

'More in Common' Batley and Spennings is an organisation of non-political volunteers working to strengthen communities in West Yorkshire & beyond in honour of the late Jo Cox MP.



They offer an open invitation to one and all to come together and share in the spirit of Ramadan by sharing in the Batley Iftar. The event is open to everyone and includes poetry and performances from local school children. The event will close with prayers and a shared meal at sunset.

Saturday 11th May, 7:30—10:30 pm, Batley Memorial Gardens, WF17 5DA.

West Yorkshire RE Resources Hub: Information for Schools

The West Yorkshire RE Hub includes a comprehensive collection of detailed units of work and associated resources. The present Hub will expire in July 2019 but will be replaced with a revised folder. This will be managed by Kirklees on behalf of Kirklees, Calderdale and Leeds schools.

Most of the existing units of work will be included but have been revised to reflect changes to assessment and available materials. There will also be a number of new units, The Hub will include a full suite of units to cover Christianity in depth. There have also been extensive improvements in other units on world faiths. New and revised units will be available from the middle of May.

A five-year subscription to the Hub and all the detailed units of work will cost **£200 as a one-off payment**. This will be discounted to just **£100 if your school already subscribes**. Kirklees schools subscribing to the RE Networks will receive a **free subscription** to the RE Resources Hub as part of their Network package.

Please note that subscriptions are for individual schools and not for MATs or federations.

To subscribe, first sign on and set up an account using your email address at <http://kirkleesbusinesssolutions.uk/>. You will receive an email to your email address, with an initial password that you need to amend.

If you have any queries please contact the support team at business.solutions@kirklees.gov.uk or telephone 01484 414708. Please note that the present location at One Hub will cease after the end of the summer term.

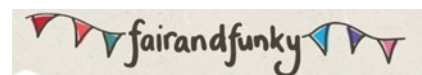
Fairandfunky Sustainable Schools Conference - Book Now!

The 'Sustainable Schools' conference brings schools from diverse communities together to celebrate World Environment Day and learn about Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in fun, creative and engaging ways giving innovative ideas for teachers and students to take learning back to the school environments and link to the **Eco-Schools programme** and beyond!

Friday June 7th, Al-Hikmah Centre (IMWS) in Batley

Please email sophie@fairandfunky.com for a booking form.

<https://www.fairandfunky.com/go-green-at-the-fairandfunky-sustainable-schools-conference-2019/> See webpage for details of other workshops and initiatives.



Research on classroom deliberation: Calling secondary teachers

Middlesex University in association with Association of Citizenship Teaching and the English Speaking Union wish to invite West Yorkshire schools to take part in a research project called The Deliberative Classroom during the 2019 Summer Term. It would involve two visits to your classroom (or debate club) to record how students discuss issues fundamental to democracy, namely Religious Freedom and Protest. The project is designed to complement SMSC and promoting Fundamental British Values. Participating will allow your students to see research in practice that will be disseminated to the DfE and academic journals.

Resources are available here: <https://www.teachingcitizenship.org.uk/deliberative-classroom-topical-debating-resources-and-teacher-guidance>

For further information please contact a.liddle@mdx.ac.uk

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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

SMSC and Equality Network

Wed 12th June 2019 (Huddersfield)
Cross-phase network including support and guidance for coordinators and senior leaders.
Enquiries ian@penninelearning.com

Primary RE Networks

Calderdale: Tuesday 21st May 3.30 - 5:45pm, Savile Park at Heath, Halifax
Kirklees : Wednesday 19th June 3.30 - 5.45 pm, Textile Centre, Huddersfield.
Leeds: RE Conference, Tuesday 18th June. Details tbc

Kirklees Secondary RE Network 2019

Kirklees : Monday 10th June 4.00pm - 6.00 pm.

RE Syllabus 'Believing and Belonging' Training events

See front page for full details of syllabus training and a new 'Teaching Christianity' course.

For details of all courses and training visit [Pennine Learning](#).

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OTHER TRAINING AND RESOURCES

RE Resources Hub: New and revised Units of Work

Existing units of work have been revised and updated. There are new units on world faiths including a full suite of units to cover Christianity in depth.
See page 2 for further details - including a special offer for schools subscribing to the Kirklees RE Network package.

Subscriptions will be available from May 2019 enquiries@penninelearning.com

'Let's Play Fair' Fairtrade Workshops

BOOK TODAY and your school will pay just £75 for a 'Let's Play Fair' workshop AND receive 4 Fairtrade Footballs for your school (total cost is usually £200).

If you would like to take advantage of this opportunity please email helen@fairandfunky.com for more information and to book now for the Summer or Autumn term. Visit www.fairandfunky.com

Please be quick to take advantage of this special offer – there are just 10 workshops available.

Free Humanist UK Conference

On 9 July Humanists UK will be running another **free** conference for primary and secondary RE teachers! To book visit <https://understandinghumanism.org.uk/training/>

Date: **Tuesday 9 July 2019 10.00 - 16.30** (registration from 09:30)

Location: Conway Hall, 25 Red Lion Square, London, WC1R 4RL

Spirited Arts and Spirited Poetry Competitions

The deadline for the Spirited Arts and Spirited Poetry competitions is fast approaching.

Entrance for both competitions is open to children and young people aged 5–19, and the closing date for the competition is **31 July 2019**.

Visit www.natre.org.uk (Spirited Arts) for further details and inspiring examples of previous winners.