

HUMANITIES

Teaching and Learning Group

RE MEETING

28th Sept 4.00pm- 5pm

Thanks to those that attended:

Churchfields, Dorcan, Greendown, Isambard , Kingsdown, Nova Hreod, St Josephs, The Commonweal , The Ridgeway, New College

Suggested outcomes of meetings

- Sharing ideas and practice
- A support network
- Keep up to date with current issues
- Development of RE in our schools

Minutes

1. Name Change: Teaching and Learning Group- Jon Young explained why groups had been created.
2. How would you like this meeting organised for Jan and April?- It has been decided that we will merge the meetings with the current RE network meetings to make them a more valuable experience for all of us. Michele Greenwood will contact Katy Staples to see if she can facilitate the next meeting.
3. Agenda Items suggested by Heads of subject to Jon Young Deputy Head Greendown.
 - i)Key Stage 3 Syllabus and ideas- We looked at the 'Update for the Agreed Syllabus' and Lottie discussed the compulsory units.

- ii) Revision Techniques Ks3 and Ks4 – A variety of ways in which we approach GSCE questions was discussed. We also discussed how we use revision guides. Thanks to Laura for the ideas suggested.
- iii) Raising the profile of RE – We discussed ways in which we can raise the profile of RE in schools and in particular how can we improve numbers for GCSE. The following ideas were suggested:
 - A) Most importantly make RE an enjoyable experience.
 - B) Trips- some ideas were suggested.

4. Date of next meetings 18th Jan and 18th April

Things for us to do/consider:

- 5) Lottie discussed the idea of AN RE bank of artefacts and DVDs which would be funded and then borrowed. Suggestions to Lottie at the next meeting please.
- 6) Fiona asked for any ideas about Meditation lessons. Perhaps we could forward any ideas fpayne@stjosephs.swindon.sch.uk
- 7) Lottie mentioned that SACRE have sent a questionnaire to our Head teachers again after a limited response. Please can we ask Head teachers to look into this?

Agenda for the next meeting -18th of January

- Developing Spirituality**
- RE bank of artefacts**
- Any ideas to share**
- Updates from SACRE**