

## To book onto any course or project please contact RE Matters

See below for contact details

### Payment and Cancellation Procedure

Once a course/project 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 work/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

## Working with cluster groups

RE Matters is very happy to explore working with schools collectively in an area to deliver bespoke support for Religious Education and Collective Worship, as well as NQT training.

Please do get in touch if you are interested in this.



### R.E. Matters

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## 2014-15 Brochure

### Supporting primary schools

Exciting opportunities for  
continuing professional development for:

RE subject leaders, Senior Leadership Teams,  
Collective Worship Managers, NQTs, GTPs,  
TAs and HLTAs, Pupils and Students



Claire Clinton

**Welcome** to the third edition of my CPD brochure

You will find that it incorporates established and new courses as well as programmes that will run throughout 2014-15

**Quality assurance** for 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.

## Coaching and Mentoring



Schools currently face many challenges: reshaping the workforce, succession planning, personalisation, standards, accountability and school improvement being just a few. Coaching and mentoring, and its development, can help school leaders effectively tackle these issues. Trained by the National College of leadership for schools, Claire Clinton offers this tool and advice to schools.

## Philosophy for Children (P4C)

Trained and accredited by Sapere, Claire Clinton offers support to schools wishing to train whole schools in P4C, and to middle leaders in strategies in organising the implementation of P4C in their school, as well as effective use of P4C within RE.

“Philosophy for children has enabled our children to ask questions and investigate possible answers about things that matter most to them, and Claire has facilitated and trained staff up well in that.”  
Kerina Edge, executive Head teacher of Hallsville and Scott Wilkie

## Working with local faith communities

Through the work that Claire has done within the Borough of Newham over the last seven years, she has built a distinctive and specialist knowledge of the diversity within and between faiths and secular world views in the East End of London. This expertise can be useful to schools in a number of ways and RE Matters seeks to support schools as they walk a journey with pupils, families and local communities.



## Infant RE Matters



Infant RE Matters has now been running for two years.  
During the conference we seek to:

**Promote dialogue and understanding** between children of differing faiths and secular backgrounds and cultures, supporting collaborative work.

Infant RE Matters exists to give Newham children a place where they can explore spirituality. Every school has the opportunity to send six pupil representatives from Year 2 and a member of staff to an Infant RE Matters 1 day conference.

### 2014 Conference

In 2015 our theme will be **'Being Thankful'**, we will be using Philosophy for children (P4C) to engage pupils with this theme. The children will go on to learn what different religions as well as secular world views think about thankfulness. It will give the children opportunities to express their thinking creatively through the use of the arts

### Dates for one day conferences 2015

**Monday 27th April 2015**

**Tuesday 7th May 2015**

**Wednesday 3rd June 2015**

*Choose one date and then book on*

Cost: Free to package C schools  
£150 (package A, B schools)  
£210 (non-package cost)



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## Advisory Prices

### Package A

3 x twilight RE network

Visit a Place of Worship (POW) membership and database

### Package B

3 x twilight RE network

Visit a Place of Worship (POW) membership and database

Unlimited e-mail and phone advisory support

### Package C

3 x twilight RE network

Visit a Place of Worship (POW) membership and database

Unlimited e-mail and phone advisory support

Attendance at one Junior RE and one Infant RE conference days

Advisory Packages are a very cost efficient way to purchase support

	One form entry school	Two form entry school	Three form entry school	Four form entry school	Infant School (depending on size)	Junior School (depending on size)
Package A	£260p.a.	£380p.a.	£440p.a.	£580p.a.	£100-£300	£210-£400
Package B	£360p.a.	£480p.a.	£540p.a.	£680p.a.	£200-£400	£310-£500
Package C	£560p.a.	£680p.a.	£740p.a.	£880p.a.	£300-£500	£410-£600
Package A, B & C additional advisory services costs	RE/ACW courses = £165 per person per course whole school twilight session £200 ½ day of advisors time £200 1 day of adviser time £400 1 hr of advisors time £65 Junior /Infant RE Conference attendance for staff and pupils £150					
Services prices outside packages A, B & C costs	3 twilight RE network sessions a year £450 Visit a place of worship membership & database £200 Primary RE or ACW course £210 Junior /Infant RE Conference attendance for staff and pupils £210 half days of advisors time £250 1 day of advisors time £500 School twilight session £225					

## 2015 Conferences

In 2014 our theme will be **'Being thankful'**, and we will be using Philosophy for children (P4C) to engage pupils with this theme. The children learn what different religions as well as secular world views believe about thankfulness as well as others, and think about why this is an important value. It will give the children opportunities to express their thinking creatively through the use of the arts.

RE Matters will co-ordinate the conference day itself for a cluster of schools. Schools already working in clusters can purchase this package collectively or RE Matters will place schools together in informal clusters. The host school for the 1 day conference would provide a venue large enough for 36 pupils and 6 members of staff to be for the day.

### Dates for one day Junior RE conferences 2015

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2015**

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2015**

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2015**

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2015**

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2015**

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2015**

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2015**

*Choose one date and then book on*

Cost:: Free to package C schools

£150 (package A, B schools)

£210 (non-package cost)

### Comments from teachers

*"I thought that the day's activities were inspirational and presented an opportunity for all the children to reflect more deeply on their beliefs and how they experience and share it with others daily in real ways."*

*Angela. St Joachim's*

*"Today conference involved a lot of higher level thinking which was perfect for the G and T children."*

*Laura, Sir John Heron Primary School*





## Junior RE Matters

*Formally Junior SACRE*



Junior RE Matters seeks to:

**Promote dialogue** between young people of differing faiths and secular backgrounds and cultures, supporting collaborative work.

**Contribute to community benefit**, as it has been developed from real children's concerns and interests. It seeks to address these concerns as well as empower them in solving problems and creating advice for schools.

Junior RE Matters gives Newham children a place where they can discuss spiritual and moral issues that are important to them.

Every school has the opportunity to elect or send six pupil representatives from Year 5 and a member of staff to a Junior RE Matters one day conference. The hope is that these children will be representatives of the different religious and secular world views.

Junior RE Matters provides a place for serious discussion and debate across schools. It gives schools a way of capturing children's thoughts and suggestions on important moral, religious and spiritual issues, and provides a 'gifted and talented' opportunity in RE at Key Stage 2.

*"The children were motivated and enthusiastic about all the activities that took place and haven't stopped talking about it since we got back. They particularly enjoyed the chance to work with other children, which they were very nervous about at first! Also, they were inspired by the creative activities and are very much looking forward to leading this event at our school." Tanya, Sandringham Primary School*



## RE Network meetings

Religious Education network meetings are run to give an opportunity to RE subject leaders within primary schools to meet, network and work collaboratively on projects, helping middle managers in their responsibilities.

Network meetings will: update subject leaders on local and national information; help subject leaders understand their role and responsibilities within school; share best practice models and examples in RE; work with outside agencies and faith groups to support schools in delivering high quality RE.

## Dates for meetings in 2014-2015

**Wednesday 22nd October 2014 4-6pm**

Venue: Park Primary School,  
Matthew Park Avenue. Stratford. E15 4AE

**Wednesday 4th February 2015 4-6pm**

Venue: Park Primary School,  
Matthew Park Avenue. Stratford. E15 4AE

**Wednesday 10th June 2015 4-6pm**

Venue: Park Primary School,  
Matthew Park Avenue. Stratford. E15 4AE

Cost: Free to package A, B & C schools;  
£450 p.a. for non-package schools

### Comments from teachers

*"Claire has given me excellent support during my role as RE co-ordinator. I have learnt how to teach high quality RE lessons and deliver fun and interactive RE insets in staff meetings. She has helped me develop a deep understanding of both RE and the duties of a co-ordinator. Luke Spary, Scott Wilkie Primary School*



## Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural Development

With the Ofsted Inspection framework highlighting the important of schools having a clear approach to delivering spiritual, moral, social and cultural (SMSC) development to their pupils across the school, RE Matters offers expert advice and support to schools looking to prepare for an inspection or develop work around this area in their setting.

SMSC is one of the 4 main judgements now made about a school within the leadership and management of the school. RE Matters could support your schools own evaluation of the impact of what you already do, and support your senior Leadership team as they look for ways to develop your school practice?

'My Leadership Team and I have found Claire's support and guidance invaluable especially in light of a potential forthcoming inspection! Claire came into to reassure us about SMSC and gave us very useful ways forward to ensure that it was more apparent across the school.'

**Emma Nicholls** - Headteacher, Selwyn Primary School

'Claire is aware of current thinking in RE and keeps up to date with new matters. Through purchasing the partnership on offer, having a point of contact at any time has meant that questions and queries have been answered immediately. It has also resulted in a close network being established which enables Subject Leaders to share good practice and support each other informally.'

**Darren Williams** - Headteacher, Central Park Primary School

"After the inset led by Claire I now feel I know how to promote SMSC through my daily teaching." **Inderjit**, Vicarage Primary School



## 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 is practical giving staff a chance to experience a number of different forms of ACW as well as giving time for reflection and planning. The legal requirements for ACW, school policy documents and a wealth of resources are also shared.

Date: **Monday 16th March 2015**

Time: **9am to 4pm**

Venue: Highway Church, Romford Road, Stratford E15 4EH

Refreshments and lunch included

Cost:: £165 (package A, B or C schools)  
£225 (non-package cost)

### Comments from teachers

"An inspiring day."

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

## Collective Worship Twilight

Developing staff confidence to lead acts of collective worship is crucial for schools, and this is what this session effectively does.

"The Twilight was extremely helpful in giving teachers manageable and thought provoking support in leading collective worship. Something which many people had previously found daunting."

Elizabeth Birdsey, Star Primary School

Cost:: Twilight £165 (package A, B or C schools)  
£225 (non-package cost)



## New to leading RE

This twilight seeks to give staff who are new to being the RE co-ordinator an introduction to this role.

Date: **Wednesday 8th October 2014**

Time: **4-6pm**

Venue: **Park Primary School,**  
Matthew Park Avenue. Stratford. E15 4AE

**Cost:** £85 (package A, B or C schools)  
£100 (non-package cost)

## RE and the arts

RE Matters offers a number of staff CPD sessions bringing RE and the arts (music, art and drama) together. Schools can focus on RE and one other discipline or a mixture of all three for a truly inspirational session. The sessions can work as a twilight session or as a longer professional development time. Each session shows how the creative curriculum can be planned for through bringing subjects together, and shows links to the new RE AS.

Dramatic RE  
Musical RE  
Spirited art

Cost:: Twilight £165 (package A, B or C schools)  
£225(non-package cost)



## High Quality RE for your school

*"The teaching of RE in primary schools was not good enough because weaknesses in teachers' understanding of the subject, a lack of emphasis on subject knowledge, and teachers' limited access to effective training."* Ofsted report October 2013 Realising the potential

As schools seek to develop RE here are some ideas for a twilight that can be run at your school for all staff.

## Twilight session 1: Thoughtful RE High Order Questions in RE

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

## Twilight session 2: Face to Faith

This twilight will give staff the opportunity to meet with local faith leaders and talk with them about their beliefs and practices. Schools can choose to focus on the 3 new religions and philosophies required to be taught in the New Agreed Syllabus, or on a selection of faiths that would best meet the needs of your staff.

## Twilight session 3: Creative RE

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

Cost:: £200 (package A, B or C schools)  
£225 (non-package cost)

*"Claire's subject knowledge is also invaluable - her training sessions are always informative. Claire has carried out Twilight sessions here which the staff thoroughly enjoyed and she leaves the resources behind so that teachers can test them out."* Laura Olefhile, Central Primary School



## 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 visit to local places of worship.

Buying this element 'B' from our package ensures that your RE subject leader will receive:

- support in planning and organising this month in your school;
- receive a database of over 80 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 shows which places of worship have attended faith leaders training on leading a school visit. Schools will receive this database Oct 2014*

Cost: Free to package A, B & C schools otherwise £200p.a.

## NQT training

We offer a half days training for NQT's on teaching Religious Education in Newham. This input covers:

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

**Date: Monday 1st December 2014**

A.M session 9-12pm; P.M. session 1-4pm

Venue: Highway Church, Romford Road, Stratford E15 4EH

Cost: £85 for package A, B & C schools,  
£125 for non-package schools



## Tour of places of worship

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

**Date: Monday 24th November 2014**

Time: Meet 8:45am at Highway, course will finish at 4pm

Venue: Highway Church, Romford Road, Stratford E15 4EH

Refreshments and lunch provided

Cost: £165 (package A, B or C schools) £250 (non-package cost)



## Preparing for Ofsted & 1 day subject inspections

RE Matters offers a number of services that can help support your school prepare for an Ofsted Inspection such as:

- Middle leader interview preparation
- Ofsted documentation check
- Understanding progression in RE
- Book moderation check
- Support to middle leaders in running a lesson observation
- Capturing best practice examples

*'I have a new RE co-ordinator so 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.'*

Keri Edge, **Headteacher, Hallsville Primary School**

Cost: £200 for 1.5-3hours of advisor time package A, B or C schools;  
£250 for 1.5-3 hours of advisor time to non-package schools