# 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.



#### **RE Matters**

Inspiring and transforming education

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# 2011-12 Brochure

Inspiring and transforming religious education

# Supporting secondary schools

Exciting opportunities for continuing professional development for:

RE departments, Senior Leadership Teams, collective worship managers, NQTs, GTPs, Heads of RE and students

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**Welcome** to the first edition of our CPD brochure

You will find that it incorporates established and new courses as well as programmes that will run throughout 2011-2012

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





Cost:: Free to package A or B schools £250p.a. (non-package cost)

#### **Student's comments**

"Student SACRE allows us to unite and work together as representing Newham rather than just our school." "I enjoy learning about other's religions, and what their religion say about certain topics, I get so much that."

#### Dates for 2011-2012

An agenda and minutes of meetings are always sent to participating schools a week before the meeting

School	Date	Time
St Angela's	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October 2011	1-3p.m.
Rokeby	Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> November 2011	1-3p.m.
Stratford	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> January 2012	1-3p.m.
Langdon (tbc)	Thursday 7th March 2012	1-3p.m.
Little Ilford (tbc)	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> May 2012	1-3p.m.
Eastlea or St	Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June 2012	1-3p.m.
Bons (tbc)		15



#### Student RE Matters

Formally Student SACRE

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Student RE Matters has been running in Newham for over five years now. It is known nationally for the innovative work it has produced on identity and faith sensitivities. Student SACRE gives students the opportunity of developing leadership skills, through the two years that they attend.

Student RE Maters provides schools with the opportunity to:

- Promote dialogue between young people of differing faiths and secular backgrounds and cultures, supporting collaborative work; and
- Contribute to community benefit, as it seeks to develop young people's skills in understanding their concerns and provides a place for them to learn to become a initiator and developer of solutions.

Student RE Matters exists to give Newham students 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— eight student representatives: 3-4 from Year 9, and 3-4 from Year 10, and a member of staff to attend the half termly meetings. The hope is that these students will be representatives of the different religious and secular world views in each school.

Student RE Matters elect yearly their own chair and vice chair who represent the group at adult SACRE meetings, and also have a place on the young majors cabinet. They work alongside Claire to plan and lead meetings.



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## **Advisory Prices**

#### Package A

2x twilight RE network Visit a Place of Worship database Student RE Matters membership (formally Student SACRE)

#### Package B

2 x twilight RE network
Visit a Place of Worship database
Student RE Matters membership
Unlimited e-mail and phone advisory support

Advisory Packages are a very cost efficient way to purchase support

	Cost to secondary schools 2011-2012	
Package A	£450 p.a.	
Package B	£550 p.a.	
Package A & B additional advisory services costs	RE/ACW courses £125 per person per course; whole school or department twilight session £150    1/2 day of advisors time £125    1 day of adviser time £250	
Services prices outside packages A & B costs	2 twilight RE network sessions a year £200 Student RE Matters membership a year £250 Visit a place of worship database £100 Secondary RE or ACW course £200 half days of advisors time £250 I day of advisors time £500 Whole school or department twilight session £200	

## 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 19th March 2012

Time: 9am to 4pm

Venue: Highway Church, 88a Romford Road, Stratford E15 4EH Refreshments and lunch included

Cost:: £125 (package A or B schools) £200 (non-package cost)

#### **Comments from teachers**

"An inspiring day." ny new role, and develop

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

# 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 to schools.

# Working with local faith communities

Through the work that Claire has done within Newham over the last five years as the RE Advisor, she has built up 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 and RE Matters seeks to support schools.

# Visit a place of Worship

Buying this element from our package ensures that your RE department will receive:

- support in planning and organising outside of the classroom learning through trips to places of worship; and
- receive a database of over 60 local and London places of worship who are happy to receive visits from Newham schools.

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 at the end of Dec 2011

Cost: Free to package A & B schools otherwise £100 p.a.

# NQT training

We offer a days training for NQT's and non-specialists RE teachers on teaching Religious Education in Newham. This input covers:

- Using the new Newham Agreed Syllabus;
- The religious and cultural make up of Newham;
- Using levels to challenge and ensure progression in RE;
- Resources to use in RE lessons;
- Being creative and thoughtful in teaching RE;
- Handling sensitive questions and difficult subjects;
- Watch an experienced teacher teach RE in a Newham school and debrief with the teacher.

#### Date: Tuesday 6th December 2011

9am-4pm

Venue: Highway Church, 88a Romford Road, Stratford E15 4EH Cost:: £125 (package A & B schools); £200 (non-package cost)

### RE Network meetings

Religious Education network meetings are run to give an opportunity to bring together RE departments and heads RE within secondary schools to meet, network and work collaboratively on projects and middle manager responsibilities.

Network meetings will:

- Update departments on local/national information;
- Ensure heads of departments 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 2011-2012

#### Wednesday 2nd November 2011 4-6pm

Venue: Rokeby School, Barking Road, London. E16 4DD

#### Wednesday 20th June 2012 4-6pm

Venue: Rokeby School, Barking Road, London. E16 4DD

Cost: Free to package A & B schools; £200 p.a. for non-package schools

#### **Comments from teachers**

"RE Network meetings are always helpful and very informative."

"Network meetings are extremely useful to me in my role, as I get to share ideas as well as meeting with an advisor who is informative and motivated."

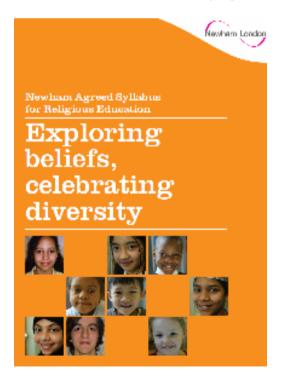
# Implementing the Newham 2011 New Agreed Syllabus

Available as a twilight or half day session this training will bring your RE department up to date with the changes in the New 2011 Newham Agreed Syllabus. It will give your RE department time to review their present KS3 units of work in the light of the new support materials, and plan for future developments.

Cost:: £125 (package A or B schools) £200 (non-package cost)

#### **Comments from teachers**

"I know now what we need to do as a department and feel motivated to work on developing RE at my school."



### Teaching Inspiring RE

This half day gives non specialist teachers teaching RE at KS3 a master class in RE pedagogy and methodology. It will ensure that they are up to date with best practice planning and classroom activities for KS3 RE.

Teachers will return with six creative activities they will be able to use in their lessons as well as knowledge of where to find information and quality resources for RE.

> Cost: £125 (package A or B schools) £250 (non-package cost)

# Philosophy for Children (P4C)

Trained by Sapere, Claire Clinton offers training and support to those wishing to train RE departments in P4C, and to heads of RE in strategies in organising the implementation of P4C within their RE department.

P4C builds within students the skills of critical thinking, creative thinking, co-operation; collaboration and becoming a caring individual., It is therefore a very effective teaching tool for all RE teachers to have at their disposal at KS3-5.

Cost:: £125 for 1.5-3hours of advisor time; £250 for 3-6 hours of advisor time (package A or B schools)
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# Supporting your RE department

Whether you have specialist or non-specialist teachers within your department RE Maters seeks to structure bespoke support for your needs. Over these pages are a number of different courses or programmes that will help different members of your team.

## Tour of places of worship

This one day course provides specialist and non-specialist RE staff, NQTs and GTPs with the experience of visiting 6 different places of worship in Newham with the advisor. It acts as a days master class in religion and supports teachers in understanding culture and faith. After going on this day the staff member will have confidence to start to arrange learning outside the classroom opportunities for your students in RE.

#### Date: 2nd July 2012

Time: Meet 8:45am at Highway, course will finish at 4pm Venue: Highway Church, 88a Romford Road, Stratford E15 4EH Cost:: £125 (package A or B schools) £200 (non-package cost)











# Being a high quality RE department

RE Matters offers a number of services that can help support an RE department ensure it is contributing positively to a schools improvement plan, and ensure that it is prepared for a school or Ofsted Inspection. This CPD opportunity works with staff to develop capacity within a department around the following features:

- Middle leader interview preparation
- Ofsted documentation check
- Assessment for learning and RE writing levels and ensuring challenge in RE
- Understanding and having evidence of progression in RE
- Book and Examination mock papers moderation
- Examination analysis
- Support to middle leaders in running and evaluating a lesson observation
- Capturing best practice examples within a department
- Writing effective next steps for improvement
- Reviewing examination results and assessing next steps

Cost:: £125 for 1.5-3hours of advisor time; £250 for 3-6 hours of advisor time (package A or B schools) £250 for 1.5-3hours of advisor time; £500 for 3-6 hours of advisor time (non-package cost)

#### **Comments from teachers**

"Having today with Claire has given us independent evidence of where we are as a department, and helped us to identify our next steps through which we can improve."

"Having a critical friend to work alongside our senior management team as we went through our department review was invaluable."

#### Schemes of work

Reviewing and adapting schemes of work is an ongoing task within any RE department. RE Matters offers support to teachers and department with this task throughout the year, ensuring that departments are kept up to date with national initiatives, developments and resources.

With the implementation of the Newham new Agreed Syllabus from September 2011, RE Matters can quality assure your schools provision in this area, and help develop innovative and effective learning opportunities for your pupils.

Cost:: £125 for 1.5-3hours of advisor time; £250 for 3-6 hours of advisor time (package A or B schools) £250 for 1.5-3hours of advisor time; £500 for 3-6 hours of advisor time (non-package cost)

# AS and A' Level Religious Studies

Having taught as well as being an examiner for AS and A' Level RS, Claire can help your department look at creating opportunities for your students who have the interest and ability to take an AS in RS whilst within KS4.

RE Matters also offers schools advice around teaching students key skills for AS essay writing,, and expertise on marking student work at the correct AS levels.

Cost:: £125 for 1.5-3hours of advisor time; £250 for 3-6 hours of advisor time (package A or B schools) £250 for 1.5-3hours of advisor time; £500 for 3-6 hours of advisor time (non-package cost)

# GCSE RS: Raising achievement and increasing motivation

This half day provision will explore a variety of approaches to teaching and learning in RE at KS4 in order to engage pupils and help them to make good progress. There will be a focus on practical activities to try out and take away, including varied approaches to RE, engaging pupils in handling texts, using visual resources effectively, planning enquiry-based learning in RE.

Teachers will take away at least five practical and ready to use classroom ideas for 14-16s, as well as has usable suggestions for raising achievement at KS4 in examination answers and the experience of marking GCSE examination papers..

Cost: £125 (package A or B schools) £250 (non-package cost)





