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ANNUAL REPORT OF HOUNSLOW STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL ON RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2011 - 2012

1.0 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

1.1 Agreed Syllabus

The previous Agreed Syllabus took effect on 1st September 2001.

On 14th June 2006, after conducting a statutory review of the Agreed Syllabus, SACRE considered that there was no need for a revision and that the syllabus should be renewed for a further five years (until 2010) in its current format.

At the SACRE Meeting on 11th November 2009, members decided that a revision of the Agreed Syllabus had become necessary and voted to institute an Agreed Syllabus Conference.

The first Meeting of the Agreed Syllabus Conference (ASC) was held on 10th February 2010. Further Meetings of the ASC were held on 7th June 2010, 20th October 2010, 8th February 2011 and 15th June 2011.

The text of the new syllabus was agreed on 15th June 2011. It was decided that the syllabus would be issued to schools as a CD Rom.

1.2 Standards in RE

SACRE used to monitor standards in RE by carrying out an annual analysis of OFSTED reports. In 2011-2012, SACRE members continued to regret the fact that current OFSTED arrangements make it extremely difficult for them to carry out this statutory duty, as the necessary evidence is no longer available. SACRE members therefore sought other ways in which to monitor standards in RE, such as an analysis of results of public examinations in RE.

In previous years, examination results for all schools in the Authority were included in this report with such an analysis. In 2011-2012, SACRE members agreed that the difficulties encountered in obtaining accurate and reliable data rendered this analysis ineffective.

The Annual SACRE Sixth Form Conference for RE includes opportunities for teachers and SACRE members to gather qualitative feedback about standards in RE.

1.3 Religious Education Achievement Programme (REAP)

From 1st September 2001 the REAP course was available as a statutory means of fulfilling the Key Stage 4 requirements of the revised Agreed Syllabus. Schools were able to adapt the course to meet local needs. Schools were responsible for standards and certification and the Authority offered a framework of support, advice, training and assistance with moderation in order to maintain consistency in the award of grades.

However, changes to the provision of support for RE in 2011-2012 and proposed revisions to the agreed syllabus mean that **REAP** is no longer used in the majority of schools.

2.0 IN-SERVICE TRAINING: RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

2.1 Short Courses

The Authority offers a basic programme of in-service training. Courses in the academic year 2011– 2012 included:

- **The Role of the New RE Co-ordinator**

These courses were held at Hounslow Education Centre and run by Lesley Prior, formerly Adviser for RE in The London Borough of Hounslow and Independent Consultant for RE, supporting Hounslow SACRE.

In each term there have also been meetings for Subject Leaders for RE in primary and special schools.

Topics have included:

- understanding the role, nature and purpose of stories in RE
- formulating a question-led approach to RE
- developing a 'community of enquiry' in RE
- using 'lectio divina' as a pedagogical approach in RE
- visitors in the RE classroom
- local places of worship as a resource for RE.

Newly Qualified Teachers

SACRE was pleased to note that all Newly Qualified Teachers in Primary Schools continue to receive some input on RE as part of the Authority's induction programme for teaching staff.

All Newly Qualified Teachers in RE Departments in Secondary Schools are also offered advice, help and support but this is no longer funded by the Authority.

3.0 COMPLAINTS

No complaints on either Religious Education or Collective Worship were referred to SACRE for investigation in the year 2011 – 2012.

4.0 COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

4.1 Determinations

A list of schools which have been granted Determinations will be found in Annex B.

4.2 Determination Renewals

SACRE Members have been issued with a list of criteria to be used when considering applications for Determinations (or renewals of Determinations). (See Annex C).

At the SACRE Meeting on 8th November 2011, Berkeley Primary School successfully renewed its Determination in relation to Collective Worship.

SACRE members congratulated the school on the quality of the application. They noted that the model for the worship programme was interesting and had good breadth and attention to detail. It was clear that the school was mindful of the pupils' diverse range of faiths and beliefs. Members were also impressed with the knowledge and capacity of the staff at this school in offering such a rich and varied worship programme

At the SACRE Meeting on Tuesday, 26th June 2012, Spring Grove Primary School's application for a Determination in relation to Collective Worship was not accepted.

The school was advised to submit a revised application, ensuring that parents and guardians of pupils had been fully consulted about it.

5.0 MATTERS REFERRED TO SACRE

Hounslow SACRE has never received any complaint about either RE or Collective Worship.

No other matters were referred to SACRE for consideration in the year 2011 – 2012.

6.0 LINKS WITH OTHER BODIES

The Hounslow SACRE is affiliated to The National Association of SACREs (NASACRE). John Leeson (Group D) represented the Hounslow SACRE at the NASACRE AGM and Conference in London on 23rd May 2012. Full details and copies of the relevant presentation can be found at:

<http://www.nasacre.org.uk/events.html>

Lesley Prior, SACRE Consultant for RE, is currently Vice Chair of NASACRE. Lesley is also a member of AREIAC (Association of RE Inspectors, Advisers and Consultants) and former Chair of the London/South East Regional Groups of AREIAC, a member and former Chair of the Shap Working Party on World Religions in Education and a member of the RE Council of England and Wales. Lesley represents England on the European Forum of Teachers of RE (EFTRE). She is in regular contact with the Chief Adviser for RE at Ofsted and other key members of the RE community.

Lesley is also Senior Lecturer in Religious Education at Roehampton University. She regularly contributes to the Primary and Secondary PGCE programmes and a range of other Initial Teacher Training courses at Roehampton University, the Secondary PGCE in RE at The Institute of Education, University of London and other courses in various academic institutions. She is a member of the Association of University Lecturers in RE (AULRE).

In 2011-12, Lesley's role as RE Adviser to Community Schools for the London Diocesan Board for Schools has also enabled her to work with teachers and other staff within the Authority as well as in other areas of the country.

7.0 HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY

On 27th January 2012, SACRE members and others gathered at the Civic Centre in Hounslow to commemorate those who suffered in the Holocaust and all other victims of prejudice and oppression.

This year's theme was '**SPEAK UP, SPEAK OUT**' and there were key presentations from a variety of different contributors, including students from The Green School for Girls. SACRE members were pleased to note that the event had been covered by a local newspaper, resulting in a half page article.

8.0 ANNUAL LECTURE

It was decided that the thirteenth Hounslow SACRE Annual Lecture would take place to coincide with the official launch of the newly revised Locally Agreed Syllabus. The lecture was therefore delayed until the Autumn Term 2012. The lecturer will be Alan Brine, Chief Adviser for RE at Ofsted.

9.0 ACADEMIES

At the SACRE Meeting on 29th February 2012, members discussed the place of RE in Academies and whether or not teachers from Academies could or should be members of Group C. It was noted that whilst Academies are not obliged to follow the Locally Agreed syllabus for RE, they do have an obligation to provide RE and Collective Worship. At present, all Academies in the London Borough of Hounslow are following the Locally Agreed Syllabus for RE and members hope that this will continue to be the case. It was agreed that teachers from Academies could continue to be members of Group C on SACRE, provided that their school is using the Locally Agreed Syllabus and that their membership of SACRE is supported by the appropriate Unions.

10.0 SIXTH FORM CONFERENCE

The Conference took place on 15th June 2012 at Lampton School and was attended by over 120 Sixth Formers. The young people represented a wide range of religious and secular belief systems. They came from several schools:

- Brentford School for Girls
- Cranford Community College
- Heston Community School
- Hounslow Manor School
- Lampton School

The theme for the day was linked to the forthcoming London Olympics and Paralympics and focused on the key question: **'IS SPORT THE NEW RELIGION?'**. The conference was an opportunity for young people to explore what the Olympic and Paralympic values are and whether these values are echoed in the values of the great world religions and in Humanism. They were encouraged to think critically and explore new ideas.

Participants were joined by members of our local communities. The conference also included an address on the place of religion in contemporary society by Dr Hugo Whately. Over the past few years Hugo has taught at both primary and secondary schools in East London and now works in Bristol. He has been Head of RE at a Grammar School and at a Comprehensive in Redbridge, where he sat on the teacher's committee of SACRE. Hugo has contributed to teacher training and MA courses at the London Institute of Education and King's College, where he completed his doctorate in the Philosophy of Education. He has published in **REsource**, **RE Today** and **The Journal of Beliefs and Values**.

The Sixth Formers then participated in a variety of workshop activities which were planned and delivered by beginning teachers from the Secondary PGCE in RE at The Institute of Education, University of London.

Evaluations clearly show that once again, the day was a tremendous success. Particular thanks must go to Rachel Lawrence (Group C) and her

colleagues at Lampton School for hosting such a worthwhile event and to Jane Savill (Group B) who is the Subject Leader for the Secondary PGCE in RE at The Institute of Education, University of London. Their commitment and enthusiasm make this event possible.

11.0 CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP

In 2011 - 2012 SACRE bade farewell to several members. Their contributions to the work of SACRE are much appreciated. Imaan Iftikhar (Group A) who tendered his resignation in the spring will be particularly missed. All have played vital roles in promoting the work of SACRE and enhancing the quality of RE and CW in schools across Hounslow.

Members were also grateful to Jenny King (Group C) who temporarily re-joined SACRE to cover the maternity leave of her colleague, Magda Winiarczyk.

12.0 SACRE CONTACT OFFICERS 2011 - 2012

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13.0 MEETINGS

Meetings of SACRE were held on:

- Tuesday, 8th November 2011
- Wednesday 29th February 2012
- Wednesday 26th June 2012

The SACRE Executive Committee met on:

- 18th October 2011
- 1st February 2012
- 29th February 2012
- 30th May 2012

14.0 SACRE MANAGEMENT

Ms Elizabeth Wolverson (Group B) continued as Chair and Ms Susan Roberts (Group D) continued as Vice Chair. The following Convenors were in post at the end of the academic year 2011 - 2012.

Group A (Faith Communities)

Convenor: Mr Sarup Singh Mahon (Sikh)

Group B (The Church of England)

Convenor: Ms Liz Wolverson

Group C (Teachers)

Convenor: Mr Steve Line (Lindon-Bennett School)

Group D (Local Education Authority)

Convenor: Ms Susan Roberts

**LONDON BOROUGH OF HOUNSLOW LA STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL ON
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2011-2012**

MEMBERSHIP

Group A: Christian and other religious denominations reflecting the principal religious traditions in the area.

Buddhist	<i>Vacancy</i>
Free Church	Isabel Tayler
Free Church	Alan Crabtree
Hindu	Haresh Vyas (November 2011)
Hindu	<i>Vacancy</i>
Jewish	Basil Mann
Muslim	Humaira Saleem (February 2012)
Muslim	Imaan Iftikhar (resigned February 2012)
Orthodox Christian	Gregory Wolcough (February 2012)
Pentecostal Christian	Maf Cavill
Roman Catholic	Tressa Paczek
Sikh	Ranvir Singh
Sikh	Sarup Singh Mahon (Convenor)

Group B: Church of England

Reverend Rosemary Hoad
Jane Savill
Elizabeth Wolverson (Chair)

Group C: Teachers

Eileen Crabtree
Sumita Kalisperas
Rachel Lawrence
Fiona Lewis
Steve Line (Convenor)
Heather Sullivan
Jenny King (retired February 2012) / Magda Winiarczyk (February 2012)
Mehmoona Yousaf

Group D: LEA Representatives

Gurdial Jandu (resigned February 2012)
John Leeson (Humanist)
Susan Roberts (Convenor) (Vice-Chair)
Alamdar Hussain Shah
Councillor Peter Thompson
Councillor Peta Vaught (resigned June 2012)
Councillor Liz Hughes (June 2012)

Officers: Lesley Prior, Adviser for RE
Frances Nwanodi, Committee Clerk

**SCHOOLS WHICH HAVE BEEN GRANTED DETERMINATIONS
IN RESPECT OF COLLECTIVE WORSHIP:**

SCHOOL	EXPIRES
Alexandra Infant and Nursery	17 th November 2014
Alexandra Junior	17 th November 2014
Berkeley Primary	8 th November 2016
Andrew Ewing Primary	17 th November 2014
<i>Chiswick School (Academy)</i>	<i>7th June 2015</i>
Cranford Infant and Nursery	17 ^h November 2014
Cranford Junior	17 ^h November 2014
<i>Cranford Community College (Academy)</i>	<i>15th October 2013</i>
Grove Road Primary	15 th October 2013
The Heathland	15 th June 2016
Heston Community	7 th June 2015
Hounslow Heath Infant and Nursery	17 ^h November 2014
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Hounslow Manor	17 ^h November 2014
<i>Lampton School (Academy)</i>	<i>17th November 2014</i>
Norwood Green Infant and Nursery	17 th November 2014
Norwood Green Junior	17 th November 2014
Orchard Primary	17 th November 2014
Springwell Infant and Nursery	17 th November 2014
Springwell Junior	17 th November 2014
Wellington Primary	14 th November 2014

CRITERIA FOR ASSESSING DETERMINATIONS

- Consultation with School Governors
- Consultation with Parents
- Collective Worship Policy
- Current Practice
- Statistics for Faith Make Up of the School
- Legal Requirements Met
- Monitoring

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