

NASACRE and Westhill grants winners from 2017-2018

Waltham Forest and Newham SACRE
Bedford SACRE

Wednesday 22nd May 2019

Waltham Forest and Newham Project

- We applied for funding to set up a student SACRE, to run some SACRE primary focused conferences for pupils and teachers and some joint training between both of our SACREs
- 4 secondary schools were interested and got involved in running a new student SACRE programme – we have held successfully 3 meetings
- We have run 3 one day conferences for year 5's (15 Waltham Forest schools involved)
- Ran one training evening between both SACREs in November 2018 with workshops on a) *Place of worship competition*; b) *Your role on SACRE as a Councillor, faith leader or a teacher*; c) *How to observe RE and CW in schools*; d) *Effective monitoring of RE and CW as a SACRE*
- Claire has attended other Waltham Forest SACRE meetings and teacher meetings
- Darra and Claire have really enjoyed working collaboratively

We met as adult SACREs on 28th November 2018 for a training evening for both SACREs



We have gone to organise a Student SACRE, our first meeting was 27th Feb, then 1st April and 24th May



Father Nail and teachers meeting the students

Our group



Talking with a SACRE member: Ruth Kaufman, Waltham Forest SACRE Humanist representative



Talking with Rehana, a Shia Muslim

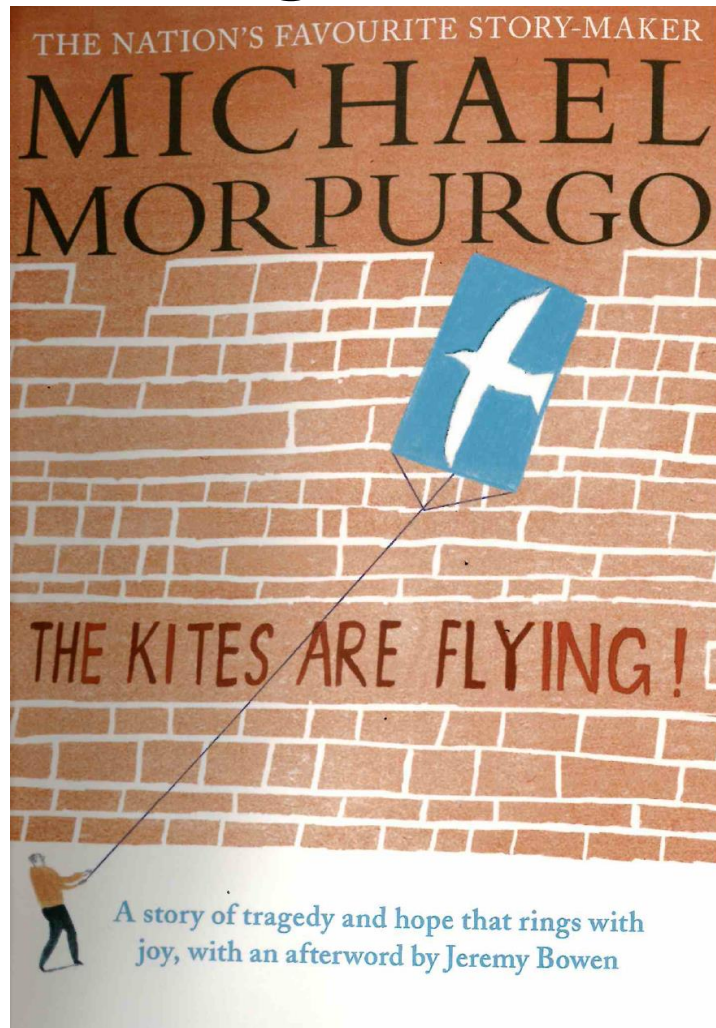


The group has also met a Rabbi, a Hindu and a Sunni Muslim



In our final meeting we hope to meet with a Buddhist, a Pagan, a Sikh and a protestant Christian

We have run three Junior RE conferences, involving year 5 pupils from a number of schools coming together to think about being peace makers

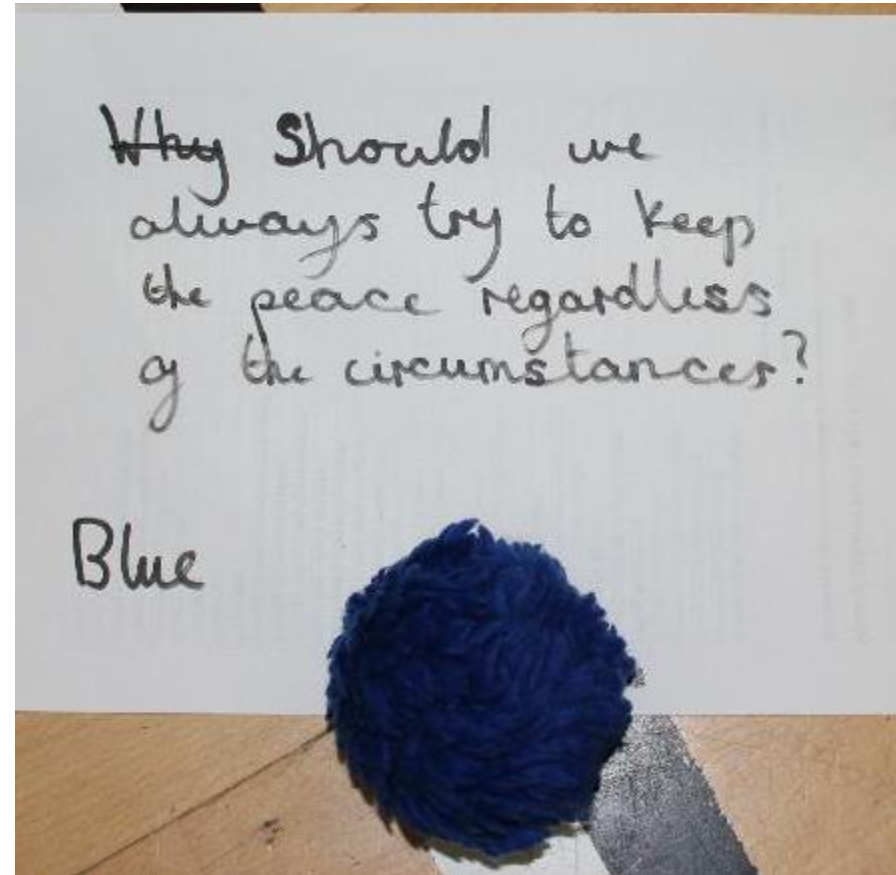


Claire used Philosophy for Children (P4C) and this book as the starting point for pupils thinking about what is peace and why there isn't more of it in the world.

Pupils gradually found out about different religions and worldviews thought about peace and how we should treat one another

The day modelled how to teach high quality RE to the pupils

1st day question children formed to discuss



Our discussion in action



15 sometimes peace comes with a price!

A little bit of peace or communication can help it grow

Need wisdom to know what to do

"An eye for an eye + the whole world will be blind" Dalai Lama

14 it's not easy to keep the peace - of course if you kept the peace

No - not in all circumstances

Hard to keep the peace - we want our own way

can't always keep the peace of Bank Cdhvict

it depends different circumstances - difference between friends argument + country war
they are doing wrong

The thing we need to do is to stand up to people till them up

Sometimes through fighting or standing up to do means you might secure more peace for everyone

If you stay calm you might not find a solution

Most of the time you can try + stop violence or a fight

Move to fight back

Should we let anything go?
No - wrong to let people kill others

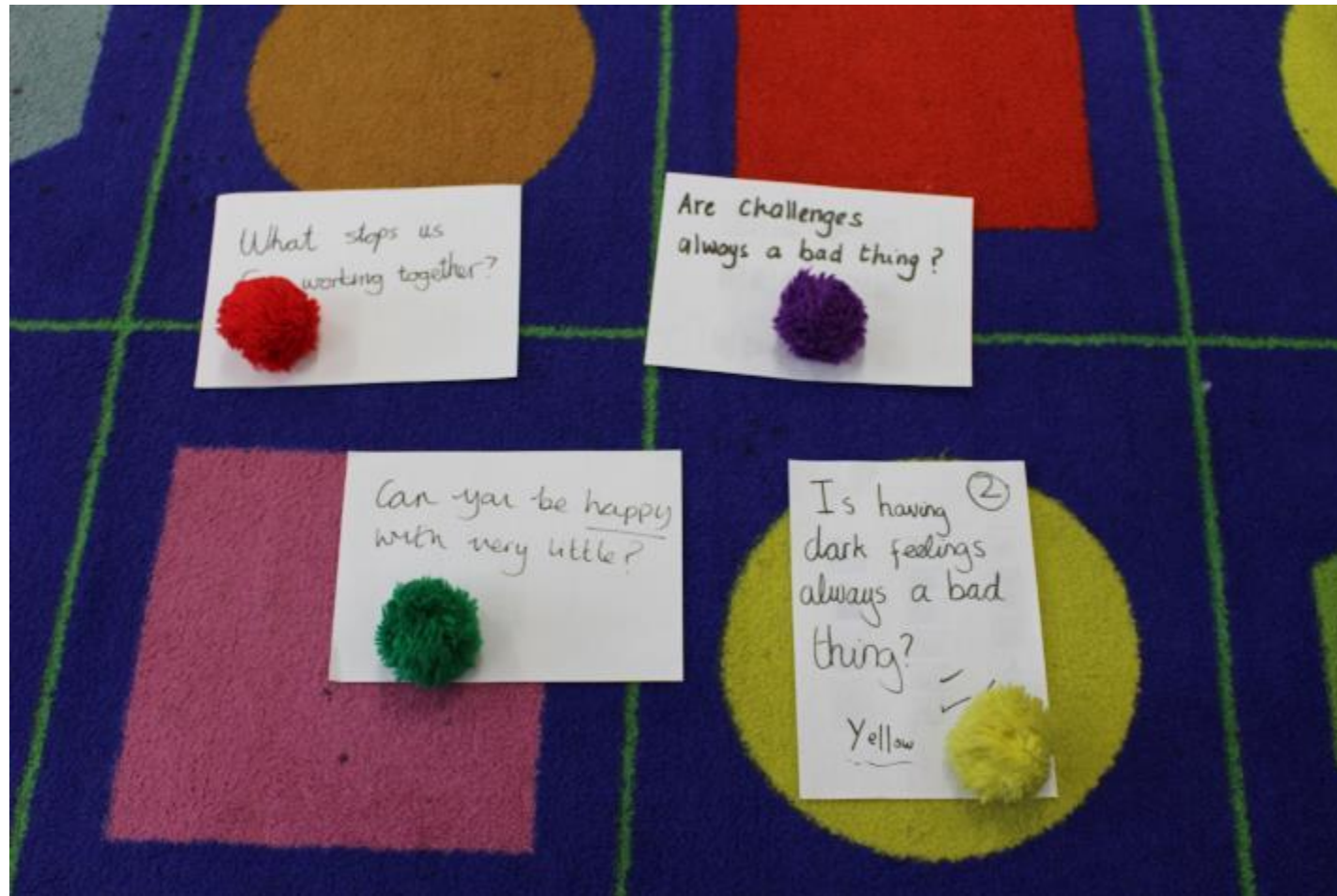
Disagree don't keep the peace in any circumstances

More peace better the world

Yes because we need to find our own peace

The points the pupils made in the discussion, building upon one another so we had a tower of ideas

2nd day questions the pupils formed



Question that got the most votes

Can you be
happy with very
little?

What do religious leaders say about how we should treat others? This film was made with Newham & WF SACRE faith leaders

<https://vimeo.com/256033267>

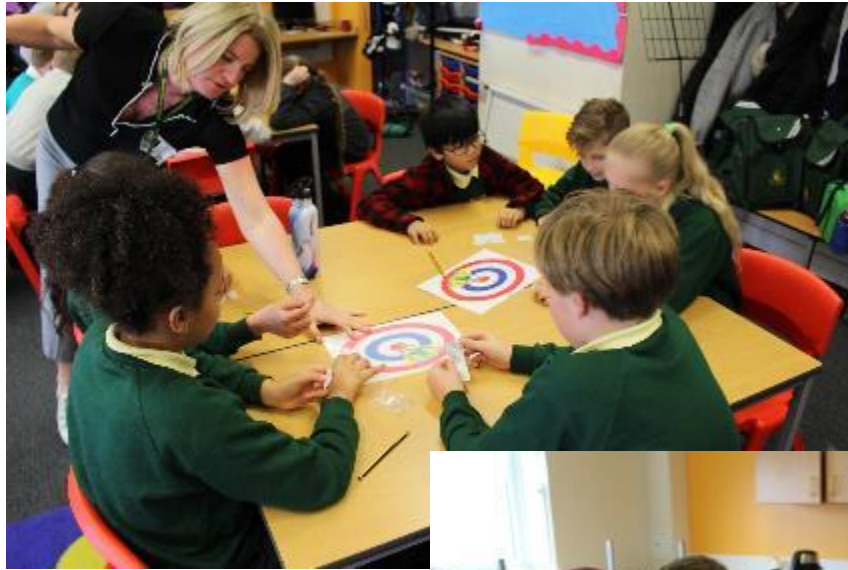
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Claire made a short 2-3 min film to show of adult SACRE members talking about their religion or worldviews answer to this question

What Holy books teach

Thinking about words from Holy books

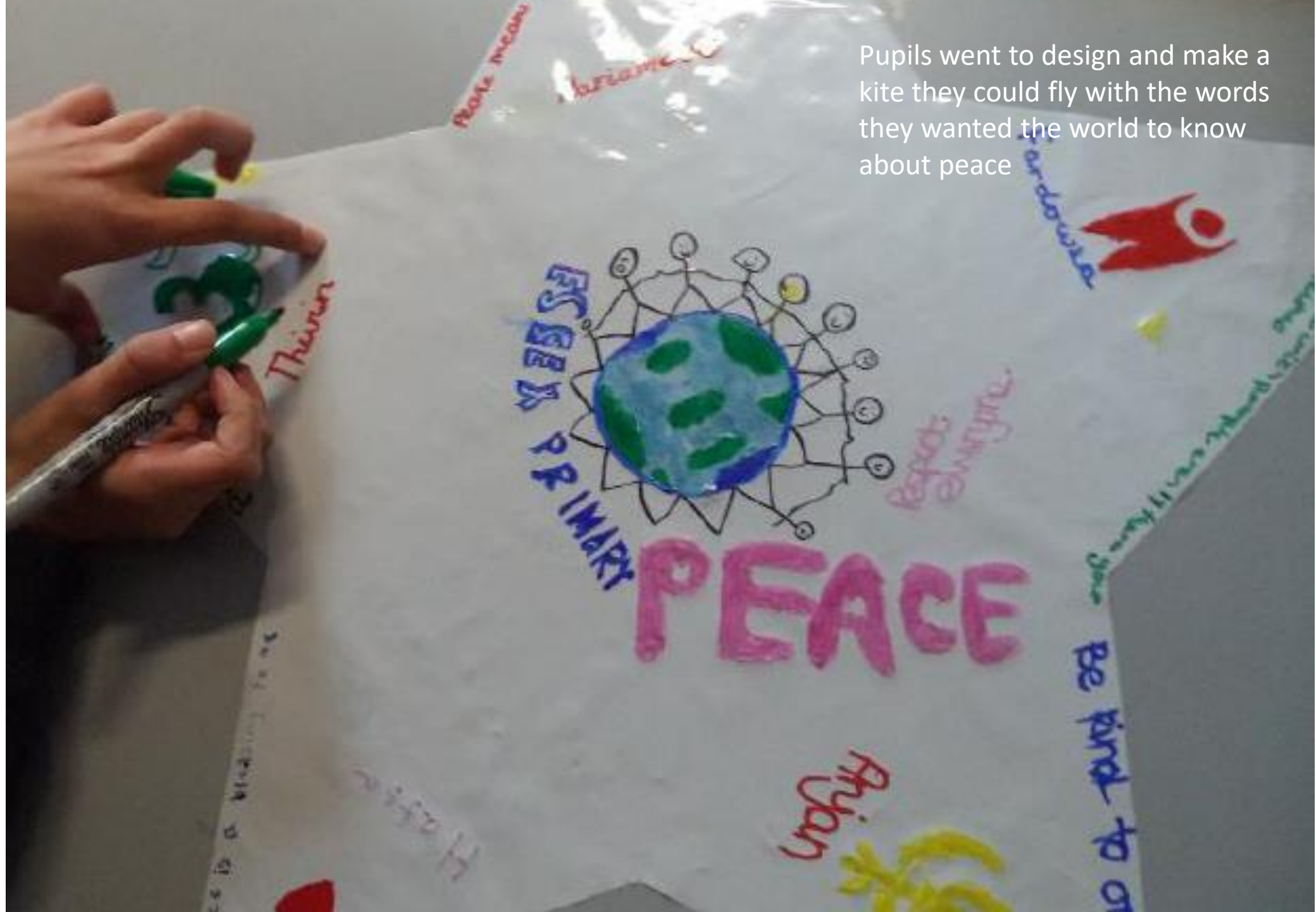


We used a dartboard activity to think about the teachings from different religions about peace and pupils decided which was the most important teaching and why

Learning about different religions



Pupils went to design and make a kite they could fly with the words they wanted the world to know about peace



Tobi

Peace - Peace



Echon

PEACE

Nature is peace don't ruin it.

by Omar



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Emmachi



SALAM!!

BE KIND, RESPECTFUL AND CARING

WALIYAH!



Comments from 2 teachers

- As a teacher I have learnt to develop good discussions in lessons, today has been a well structured day. It was a brilliant day, all the children learnt something and were engaged. The pace and structure was excellent. Great learning journey for the day. Outstanding questioning, and opportunities to discuss topics and develop opinions. I would give the day 6/6 – fantastic day, children learnt new information and more able to discuss and solve problems
- I have enjoyed the interactive activities and team work activities. I particularly enjoyed the tower building activity and discussion; I will take away from today all the team work activities. How to make debates and discussions child centered, philosophical and encouraging; Today was a brilliant day, I will deliver this RE and SMSC conference to a group of 30 children across KS2 in my school; and I would give the day 6/6, it has been excellent. It was an informative day, with lots of brilliant ideas.

Overall the project...

- Really helped Waltham Forest to build some good practice from Newham into how they support RE as a SACRE
- The Student SACRE group will continue to run next academic year and this is a great development
- The one day conferences went down well with schools, and Darra is looking at how these days could be a continued offer to WF schools next academic year, whether schools themselves paying to come (Newham model), or whether the LA might pay for a certain number to be put on
- Darra and Claire would definitely like to meet as SACREs together again, it was of benefit to both