

20+ ideas for SACREs

- 1. Contact your local MP and encourage membership of the APPG
- 2. The Association of Teachers and Lecturers (ATL) recently passed a resolution that the union should be properly represented on all SACREs so delegates are encouraged to lobby other unions. Members of the NASUWT executive are also taking this forward.
- 3. Engage with initial teacher training (ITT) providers and get some of them involved in SACRE or presenting to a meeting
- 4. Engage with the media locally and nationally and with social media to counter wider public ignorance
- 5. Encourage schools to sign up for the RE Quality Mark (REQM)
- 6. Think about who is in charge of academy chains and free schools in your area. Teachers from these schools can be included as representatives in Group C of SACRES
- 7. Get your local authority scrutiny committee to engage with the Annual SACRE Report
- 8. Develop youth SACREs and encourage young people's contributions
- 9. Hold SACRE meetings in schools and include a training session for teachers
- 10. Report schools which do not include RE or do it properly to the local authority
- 11. Make links with post 16 RE
- 12. Develop a resource collection for loan to schools
- 13. Have a sub-committee to support and deliver collective worship in schools
- 14. Sponsor competitions eg artwork for inclusion in the annual report
- 15. Work to support faith group visitors into schools
- 16. Develop a young ambassadors project
- 17. Engage governors. The information included in pages 40-41 of the Governors Handbook about RE is not clear and NASACRE might submit a rewrite
- 18. Rotate chairmanship through the four groups of SACRE
- 19. Engage teachers in working parties when developing a locally agreed syllabus. Process is important not just the end product and this involves and develops teachers
- 20. Find out if there are any subject leaders of education (SLEs) you could work with. You can find out from the National College website if there are any RE SLEs in your areas
- 21. Ensure whatever you do has a positive impact on teaching and learning in classrooms.