



Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education

Development Plan
Academic Year 2007/2008

Vision Statement:

BRISTOL SACRE:-

- enhances the quality of religious education and collective worship in Bristol schools

and

- celebrates the religious and cultural diversity found in Bristol

Goals:

To support schools in

- raising standards of pupil attainment in religious education to equate with national expectations of performance levels in other core subjects
- developing the spiritual dimension of school life
- improving the quality of collective worship
- making appropriate provision to meet the needs of all faith groups represented within their school community

through

- ◆ monitoring and evaluating the quality and provision of religious education in schools
- ◆ developing, implementing and reviewing the Locally Agreed Syllabus as an ongoing process
- ◆ raising awareness that religious education has a distinctive role to play in pupils' social, moral, spiritual and cultural development
- ◆ reflecting on and responding to the rich multi-faith diversity in Bristol
- ◆ affirming childrens' sense of belonging and identity
- ◆ promoting understanding and appreciation of the beliefs and values of others
- ◆ providing guidance and practical support for religious education, collective worship and spirituality.

Goal 1

To support schools in raising standards of pupil attainment in Religious Education to equate with national expectations of performance levels in other core subjects.

Target 1.1

To familiarise teachers in Bristol with the requirements of the Locally Agreed Syllabus for RE in teaching, learning and assessment.

Action 1.1.1

Roll out KS1 and KS2 Assessment materials and familiarise teachers with exemplification material.

By Whom: SACRE Consultant
By When: Summer 2007

Financial Estimate:
£300

Action 1.1.2

Primary twilight network meetings as planned through CPD programme.

- a) opportunities for producing levelled work and sharing judgement.
- b) discuss school SEF and how R.E is represented and monitored within it
- c) roll out detailed delivery and training on KS1 Persona Dolls material

By Whom: SACRE Consultant
Sue Thompson
By When: Throughout year

Financial Implications:
£150

Action 1.1.3

Secondary twilight meetings as previously planned and identify lead teacher to facilitate.

By Whom: SACRE Consultant,
Esther Deans, Jill Dickinson,
Debbie Sainsbury
By When: Throughout year

Financial Implications:
£300

Action 1.1.4

Organise Secondary Day Conference with key speaker. Invite teachers from Swindon LA.

By Whom: SACRE Consultant
By When: Spring Term 2008

Financial Implications:
£2000 (venue, speakers)

Action 1.1.5

Consultant sample of primary, secondary and special schools to map their support and training needs from SACRE.

By Whom: SACRE Consultant
By When: March 2008

Financial Implications:
£300

Action 1.1.6

Develop a menu of CPD and support for individual schools for the academic year.

By Whom: SACRE Consultant
By When: June 2008

Financial Implications:
£300

Action 1.1.7

Prepare and plan a major conference for headteachers: Bringing Faith into Achievement.

By Whom: SACRE Consultant
By When: December 2008

Financial Implications:
£2000

Action 1.1.8

Pursue possibility of contributing to the inservice training offered to newly qualified teachers.

By Whom: SACRE Consultant / Chair /
Vice Chair
By When: December 2007

Financial Implications:
£75

Action 1.1.9

Pursue possibility of contributing to the inservice training offered to New Headteachers.

By Whom: SACRE Consultant / Chair /
Vice Chair
By When: December 2007

Financial Implications:
£75

Target 1.2

Address national issues within R.E.

Action 1.2.1

Ensure representatives from Bristol SACRE to attend regional and national conferences and meetings and report back to SACRE members. (eg NASCRE, QCA, AREIAC). Address national issues as they arise.

By Whom: Clerk / Consultant
By When: As meetings occur

Interim Financial Implications:
£150 + expenses + conference fees

Target 1.3

Monitor the quality and standards of teaching and learning in R.E across Bristol schools.

Action 1.3.1

Investigate how the SEF for Bristol Schools is addressing how R.E and collective worship is represented within it. Action dependent on outcomes of investigation.

By Whom: SACRE Consultant

By When: April 2008

Financial Implications:

£150

Action 1.3.2

Form a SACRE monitoring sub-committee and establish terms of reference and a framework for monitoring the quality of R.E and collective worship and train members to implement.

Contact QCA and NASACRE for help and guidance.

Refer to the spiritual reporting within Ofsted reports.

By Whom: SACRE Consultant and members of SACRE

By When: July 2008

Financial Implications:

£450

Goal 2

To support schools in developing the spiritual dimension in school life.

Target 2.1

Support schools in the cross-curricular development of spirituality.

Action 2.1.1

Develop a multi-faith toolkit based on the Values for Life document. Purpose: assist schools in exploring and reflecting on their values; how these might be distinctive or shared among faith communities represented in the school.

By Whom: SACRE Consultant and other faith advisers

By When: July 2009

Financial Implications:

£2000

Goal 3

To support schools in making appropriate provision to meet the needs of all faith groups represented within their school community, and make a contribution to social and racial harmony.

Target 3.1

The faith and belief stance of all pupils in all Bristol schools to be respected, and their religious observance and practices be facilitated and supported by the school.

Action 3.1.1

As a follow-up to the Interfaith Convention for Young People, give guidance to schools for developing 'in-school' interfaith dialogue and discussion across all stages.

By Whom: SACRE Consultant

December 2007

By When: Spring 2007

Financial Implications:

£1000 (publication costs)

Action 3.1.2

Set up an ongoing Young Interfaith Dialogue Group. Purpose: to develop the links and ideas that were started at the Young Interfaith Conference in July 2007.

By Whom: SACRE Consultant

By When: December 2007

Financial Implications:

£1000 (to be raised)

Action 3.1.3

Investigate fundraising for a second Young Interfaith Conference in Summer 2008.

By Whom: SACRE Consultant

By When: Autumn Term 2007

Financial Implications:

£150 (consultant)

£1000 (to be raised)

Goal 4

To implement Bristol SACRE's vision statement effectively and produce guidance and documentation for schools.

Target 4.1

To further develop the work of SACRE and advise the LA on all relevant matters of RE, CW and Spirituality.

Action 4.1.1

Review Bristol SACRE membership and develop strategies to improve representation and attendance of all the different faiths.

By Whom: SACRE Clerk and members

By When: Ongoing

Financial Implications:

Nil

Action 4.1.2

To set up a SACRE Development sub group to undertake duties such as:

- ♦ To inform about and publicise the work of SACRE and its responsibilities in regard to Religious Education and Collective Worship in Bristol Schools.
- ♦ To inform Councillors of the Local Authorities responsibilities for R.E & Collective Worship.
- ♦ To ensure that R.E is included in the 'Every Child Matters' agenda, the development plan for Children & Young People's Services.

By Whom: SACRE Consultant,
LA Officer and
SACRE members

By When: Ongoing

Financial Implications:

£150

Action 4.1.3

Organise an annual SACRE conference to educate and enhance the understanding of SACRE members.

By Whom: SACRE Consultant and
Chair of SACRE

By When: Summer 2008

Financial Implications:

£150