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FOR THOSE WHO TEACH AND THOSE WHO LEAD RE

# RESOURCE



## REdotComp

An exciting competition has been launched for all pupils - individuals and groups in all key stages - to apply their ICT skills in an RE context.

The competition aims to encourage schools to visit a local place of worship - of any faith or denomination - and make appropriate use of ICT to provide something useful for the chosen faith community.

This might take the shape of a leaflet or a flyer, CD-ROM or a video, an audio-tape for the blind, a poster or a guidebook. It could be as simple as a photo scanned into a "Welcome to Our Place of Worship" handout, which can be given to visitors to provide the information they need to

find their way around.

It may inform them about the building and about aspects of worship there, mentioning ways that a visitor should show respect (e.g. appropriateness of dress and behaviour).

The competition closes on July 11th, and entries should be accompanied by the form enclosed in this edition of REsource.

East Riding of Yorkshire SACRE and Kingston-upon-Hull SACRE are donating prizes for the best entries in each key stage for each LEA. Members of SACRE will judge the entries and prizes will be presented at the joint SACRE Conference when entries will go on display.

East Riding & Kingston-upon-Hull SACRES

invite you to enjoy

*"Thinking Skills in RE"*

Country Park Inn,  
Hessle

July 17th 2003

9.30 - 4.00

Dr Vivienne Baumfield  
(Univ. Newcastle)

Dr



## RE joins eRiding

eRiding - the new East Riding website - will launch a dedicated ER RE site within the site.

Accessible through the eRiding homepage in the usual way, the RE mini-website will have a style of its own, in keeping with the burgundy & yellow

colours now associated with East Riding RE.

The fledgling site should go live in the summer and will contain the best of the old material from ERIL plus a whole lot more!

Our aim would be to host a lively website for all pupils and teachers of RE.

The only way to achieve this is by involving you and your pupils in sharing their work... with the world!

We hope to introduce some interactive pages in due course, but in the meantime, please e-mail anything you have to set the ball rolling. Thanks.

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### RE bite-size:

- \*\*A CHANGE OF DATE\*\***  
*The Church Schools Conference will now be held on June 23rd 2003 at York Racecourse: "Distinctiveness and Partnership"*
- RE teaching is now at least good in over 40% of primary schools in England*



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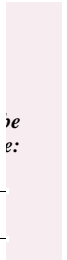
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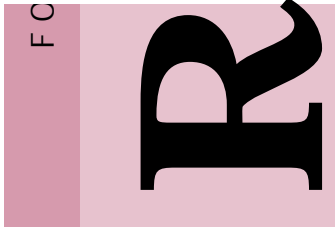
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*“Distinctiveness and Partnership”*

- *RE teaching is now at least good in over 40% of primary schools in England*
- *National Literacy Strategy is having a positive impact on the quality of RE teaching*
- *Over 2000 Y6 & Y7 pupils are coming to REaction in East Riding and Hull in June!*

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# East Riding Networks & Initiatives

Each term Sue Holmes and Noel Jones endeavour to meet with as many teachers responsible for leading RE as possible to update them on current issues locally and nationally. The meetings are also a forum for discussion to support teachers in the classroom.

We welcome prior notice of items for the informal agenda. Feel free to ring Noel or Sue in advance of the sequence of meetings to suggest areas for discussion. See summer course notices for further details and apply on *Inset 1* in the usual way.

## PRIMARY

- **JUL 10th** Beverley
- **JUL 11th** Hornsea
- **JUL 14th** Goole

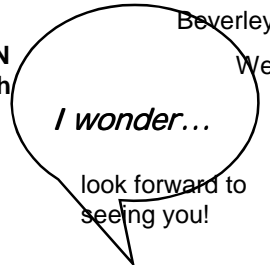
## SECONDARY



• JUN 24th

East Riding & Humber Development Education Centre

The East Riding and Humber DEC is setting itself the task of outreach into the Riding. Sylvia Usher, the volunteer co-ordinator, feels strongly there is more to be done in rural settings than in the city! A programme of virtual reality 'Day Trips' (Africa, India) has been put together, integrating RE & other curricular areas. Sylvia is keen to hear from schools, especially those in foundation and secondary phases, who would like to help her develop ideas for trialling across the East Riding.  
01482 616619  
dec@dechull.karoo.co.uk



Come & see

## Godly Play

July 1st 2003  
2.30 - 4.30pm  
Diocesan House  
Clifton Moor,  
YORK

Godly Play is an approach to spiritual nurture, developed in the USA over more than 30 years. It is a tried and tested tool in RE, engaging and involving children in connecting biblical stories with their own personal experience. We are hoping to adapt the theory and practice to link with the teaching of our agreed syllabus. (Flier attached)

# Prayers for World Peace

Each year in preparation for the Week of Prayer for World Peace (held in October) a leaflet is prepared, specifically designed for use in schools. It contains ideas for classroom activities, a story and prayers with the RE curriculum in mind, but also relating directly to citizenship and PSHE. The material can be used as a basis for Collective Worship.

This year more than any other perhaps, the need for prayer is especially pressing. Copies of the leaflet are available @ 50p from Trudie Charles on 0117 942 3454.

**A prayer for peace, used by the United Nations:**

Our globe is nothing but a little star in the great universe.

It is our duty to turn this globe into a planet whose creatures are not tormented by wars,

nor tortured by hunger and fear,

Nor torn apart in senseless divisions according to race, colour or creed.

Give us courage and foresight to begin this work today, so that adults and children may take pride in

**WAR in IRAQ**  
*Resources for collective worship*  
for KS1, 2 & 3:  
[www.culham.ac.uk](http://www.culham.ac.uk)

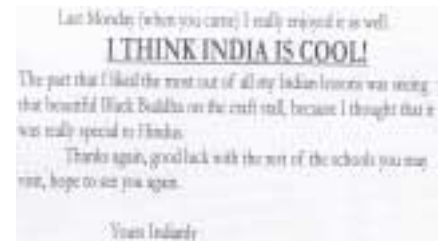
being called **human**.

# The latest on RE levels!



In case you are wondering what happened to the promised LEA portfolio from our schemes of work, a note of reassurance... Funded by St Gabriel's Trust, and involving a loyal gang of teachers, the money ran out before we had a complete portfolio from Foundation to KS3.

Instead, we are hoping to 'level' the contents against the new LEA scale so that they will exemplify assessment in practice. Any offers



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Instead, we are hoping to 'level' the contents against the new LEA scale so that they will exemplify assessment in practice. Any offers of help? Please get in touch.



Work from Flamborough CE School after "A Day Trip to India" (see top centre.)

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# Newsboard

## \* QCA Feasibility study for a non-statutory national framework for RE

After much delay, and with no sign as to whether Charles Clark is likely to pay any attention to it - yet! - QCA has published last year's feasibility study.

The study considers the possibility of further guidance for RE syllabuses through a non-statutory framework. This framework would provide opportunities for local and national development whilst retaining the advantages of local responsibility and ownership.

[www.qca.org.uk/ca/subjects/re](http://www.qca.org.uk/ca/subjects/re)

## \* The Shoah and Anti-Semitism: an exhibition on the Holocaust in Hull

Using poetry and paintings from the ghettos and the death camps, this exhibition aims to touch the visitor and portray Christians who stood up to the Nazis. (For KS5 & teachers.)

OPEN: Mon-Fri 2-5pm. (until 19 August)

- Judeo Christian Study Centre  
Old Synagogue  
Linnaeus Street  
HULL HU3 2PD

Tel 01482 217153  
[jcsc@exobus.org](mailto:jcsc@exobus.org)

## WHO IS THIS MAN?

### Schools Bible Project 2003

for individual Y6-Y9 pupils

WIN £500!

by building a dossier on Jesus Christ from the evidence given about him in the Bible (a helpful list of references is given).

*Who was He? What did He claim to be? What is the evidence for His claims?*

Entries must be posted by June 30th.

- Further details from:  
Christian Education Project  
58 Hanover Gardens  
LONDON SE11 5TN

Tel/fax 020 7582 1174 (or ring Sue!)



Image taken at RE & ICT governors' training held at Longcroft in March

## \* Local Shops for ER RE Resources

We are working with 2 bookshops to offer a service to schools to supply RE resources:

- Lighthouse Bookshop  
11 Saville Street  
MALTON YO17 7LL

Tel 01653 693301  
[lighthousebooks@fish.co.uk](mailto:lighthousebooks@fish.co.uk)

Steve Camps at the Lighthouse will be pleased to order books, videos and CDs for RE and Collective Worship. He offers a rapid mail order service with a discount for schools and is putting together a catalogue which will be circulated to all ER schools in the next term.

- Ice House  
Victor Street  
GRIMSBY DN32 7QN

Tel 01472 349917  
[helen@lifeline-books.freereserve.co.uk](mailto:helen@lifeline-books.freereserve.co.uk)

Helen Carter, an ex-secondary teacher, has prepared an inventory of resources for our RE units of work. She will be pleased to discuss any requirements you might have for RE artefacts, videos and books.

# Inset

## The Diocese of York

So successful was the March **Resources** morning at Cherry Burton for those who lead **Collective Worship**, that it will run again in the Autumn, probably in Driffield.

Around 40 clergy, teachers and children's workers attending a busy morning, entertained by clowns, storytellers, a puppeteer and the Lighthouse bookstall (see above top right).

In 2004 it is hoped to add an appendix to



would like to contribute your ideas to a Church Schools-worship working group, please ring Sue.

## East Riding LEA

- JUL 2nd** Lat Blaylock (PCfRE)  
*Thoughtful RE in KS2 & KS3*

This cross-unitary course follows on from the one that Lat led last July. It is aimed at KS2-3 transition, and looks at RE classroom examples of bridging the 'gap' between schools.



*Worship Works* for Church schools. If you

We should be pleased to hear from secondary schools who wish to take part with 2 or 3 of their feeder primaries. Places are limited. Please apply to County Hall on *Inset 1*.

- NOV 4th** Primary RE Co-ordinators

More Inset plans will be announced later.

**You may contact Sue Holmes on 01482 392464 (LEA) or 01904 699515 (Diocesan office).**

**Sue is funded 2 days each week by the Diocese of York to support church schools and parishes.**

# Short Course GCSE Religious Studies... what makes for success?

## CRUCIAL FACTORS:

- Selection of exam board
- Teaching and learning styles
- Senior management support
- Resourcing and budgets

## WHAT IS NOT CRUCIAL:

- Pupil grouping

- Starting in Y9

## WHAT DO PUPILS WANT?:

- Clear exam guidance
- Plentiful opportunities to debate & express opinions
- 50-70 minutes of teaching each week

**AND..... there is NO simple formula to boys' success!!**

News of a major project that aims to produce excellent and effective teaching materials for schools... written by teachers of *RE* and *Science*, and guided by some of the world's leading experts, teaching materials - students' books, lesson plans and background reading - will be trialled in schools before publication.

The project, funded by the John Templeton Foundation, was launched in April 2002 and will last for 4 years.

In 2003, material for 11-16 will be written, and the second phase will focus on the needs of 16-18s. The final year will



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**WHAT IS NOT CRUCIAL:**

- Pupil grouping
- Use of non-specialist staff

**AND..... there is NO simple formula to boys' success!!**

New AREIAC book titled as above @ £8;  
please ring Sue for details.

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[www.srsp.net](http://www.srsp.net)

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# Resources

## Websites

### \* [www.curriculumonline.gov.uk](http://www.curriculumonline.gov.uk)

Curriculum Online is the DfES portal which gives direct access to the widest range of free and priced digital materials for teaching and learning. There is an online catalogue that enables teachers and others to find resources that closely match individual need. Schools have funding known as electronic learning credits (eLCs) to spend on Curriculum Online, in line with their own priorities. The selection of appropriate resources will require input from curriculum leaders, not just the ICT Coordinator... so make sure that RE gets in there!!

\* [www.cleo.net.uk](http://www.cleo.net.uk) (Cumbria and Lancashire Education Online) has RE modules to download and store offline. The modules can be used by a class with a laptop and digital projector or electronic whiteboard. They can also be used as group activities using one stand-alone classroom computer. Units are:

- Hindu Temple (KS2-3)
- Greek Orthodox (KS2 transition)
- Draw the Buddha's Face (KS2-3)
- 3D Thinking Skills Game (KS2-3)

\* [www.nibbana.com](http://www.nibbana.com)  
'Visit' the new Dhammatalaka Peace Pagoda in Birmingham.



Splash Team clowns lead worship at Kilham CE School

## Courses

### REtoday

PRIMARY & SECONDARY

\* **Teaching, learning, thinking**, improving RE in KS2 & 3 - June 30

\* **Four Religions**, for both primary and secondary ages - various dates  
SECONDARY

\* **GCSE RS - raising standards** -

June 26 \* **Expert Secondary RE** -

a new course for ASTs & experienced RE

teachers - June 5  
[retoday@retoday.org.uk](mailto:retoday@retoday.org.uk)

### Inset (accredited) programme for teachers & subject leaders:

FOR PRIMARY, SECONDARY & SPECIAL

\* **Leading Religious Education**

April-July 2003, RE Centre, UEA, Norwich

(may be available as Distance Learning Programme from September 2003).

[www.uea.ac.uk/edu/religion](http://www.uea.ac.uk/edu/religion)  
[khrec@uea.ac.uk](mailto:khrec@uea.ac.uk)

## Conferences 2003

### \* **Loving Thy Neighbour as Thyself** - an exploration of philosophy as a unifying force in the modern classroom.

For teachers & governors, the conference will include visits to a mosque, Hindu temple & to the holy Christian site of Lindisfarne - 25-27 April, St John's College, Durham [www.education-renaissance-trust.org.uk](http://www.education-renaissance-trust.org.uk)

[ert@charity.vfree.com](mailto:ert@charity.vfree.com)

### \* **Challenging RE** - PCfRE's conference for all those who teach RE - *Thinking - Spirituality - Inspiration - Practicality*

at Yarnfield Park Stone, Staffs on 2 - 4 May. Challenging RE will be led by a wide range of national speakers on key topics. It is ideal for RE NQTs and subject leaders in primary, secondary and A level RE/RS. "We intend that your professionalism will be energised and your classroom practice inspired to new standards of quality".

[www.retoday.org.uk](http://www.retoday.org.uk)

[retoday@retoday.org.uk](mailto:retoday@retoday.org.uk)

### \* **How to Make RE Engaging, Inspiring & Effective** - for all secondary teachers of RE, designed to improve standards and raise attainment. The course will demonstrate exciting, practical ideas for creating challenging and enriching RE activities, plus strategies to improve planning and departmental management.

25 June - Leeds/

## Books for RE and Citizenship

### EXAMINATION

#### \* **GCSE Religious Studies for AQA A & B**

Heinemann are offering inspection copies of the 6 pupil books for AQA A & 5 books for AQA B on 60 days' free evaluation and 10 -20% off orders of £200 - £1500:

[www.heinemann.co.uk](http://www.heinemann.co.uk)  
[orders@heinemann.co.uk](mailto:orders@heinemann.co.uk)

#### \* **AS Religious Studies** - Students' Study Guides for AQA and for Edexcel. Inspection copies are available for each board:

[www.religiousstudies-studyguides.co.uk](http://www.religiousstudies-studyguides.co.uk)  
[barney@rhinegold.co.uk](mailto:barney@rhinegold.co.uk)

### CHRISTIANITY

#### \* **The Watch Christianity Project (BBC)**

If you saw the first broadcast of this excellent new resource for KS1 in March, you will no doubt want to get hold of the 3 big books, the teachers' activity book and Inset video, showing Christian belief and practice through the eyes of children in Christian communities. Available individually, the whole package is priced @ £87-61.

[www.bbc.schoolshop.com](http://www.bbc.schoolshop.com)  
[bbc@twoten.press.net](mailto:bbc@twoten.press.net)

### CITIZENSHIP

\* **Get Global!** - KS3&4 teachers' guide and video to help students gain skills of communication, enquiry and participation and to develop an understanding of the

### Resources for RE & Citizenship

world as a global community:  
[getglobal@edist.co.uk](mailto:getglobal@edist.co.uk)  
01795 427614

(packs are **free** until 25 May or may be downloaded from [www.oxfam.org.uk](http://www.oxfam.org.uk))

#### \* **Worlds Apart - KS5 and Citizenship** -

publications on global citizenship & world development issues (with Christian Aid):  
[sali@patshyn.fsnet.co.uk](mailto:sali@patshyn.fsnet.co.uk)

## Videos, CDs and TV

### \* **Rooted: Journeys of Roots & Religion around the World** Video (70 mins) with

KS2 teachers' book & 6 posters, to complement Channel 5 series *Rooted*. The series features 13 children, a 30 min programme for each, providing a unique perspective on faith and how it influences the lives of people around the world. Rooftop Productions for Christian Aid @ £15-99:

[www.christain-aid.org.uk/learn/schools/index.htm](http://www.christain-aid.org.uk/learn/schools/index.htm) (download sample pages)  
[www.globalong.org.uk/rooted/video.cfm](http://www.globalong.org.uk/rooted/video.cfm)

### CHRISTIANITY

\* **Ultimate Adventure** - A multi-media resource from the Bible Society offering a creative, interactive and engaging way of learning about the Bible. Suitable for anyone aged 10 and above, from any faith background or Christian denomination, who wants to learn more about the Bible in the home, faith community or school context and priced @ £39-95:  
[www.godsthatbible.com](http://www.godsthatbible.com)

\* **Curriculum Bites RE (BBC)** - If you missed the challenge, relevance and sheer inspiration of this new departure in RE broadcasting in March, you can buy videotapes of the 4 hours of programmes in a comprehensive teaching pack @ £45:

- Challenging Christianity (KS3)
- Challenging Beliefs (KS4)

[www.bbc.co.uk/re](http://www.bbc.co.uk/re) provides access points

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index.htm](http://www.christain-aid.org.uk/learn/schools/index.htm) (download sample pages)  
[www.globalgang.org.uk/rooted](http://www.globalgang.org.uk/rooted) (video clips)

background of Christian denomination, who  
wants to learn more about the Bible in the  
home, faith community or school context  
and priced @ £39-95:  
[www.scottishbiblesociety.org](http://www.scottishbiblesociety.org)  
0131 377 9701

- Challenging Christianity (KS3)  
• Challenging Beliefs (KS4)  
[www.bbc.co.uk/re](http://www.bbc.co.uk/re) provides access points  
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