

Bracknell Forest Standing Advisory Council
on Religious Education (SACRE)

Development Plan 2005 - 2009

SACRE Development Plan Priorities: 2005 – 2009
Linked to Bracknell Forest Education Development Plan

To be revised Spring 2009

- Priority 1:** To ensure the continued development of an effective and proactive SACRE, offering high quality advice and guidance on religious education and collective worship to Bracknell Forest Borough Council based on:
- a) a Locally Agreed Syllabus for Religious Education;
 - b) a clear understanding of the statutory requirements for religious education and collective worship;
 - c) a thorough knowledge of the quality of provision for religious education and collective worship in Bracknell Forest schools;
 - d) an understanding of the needs of Bracknell Forest schools with regard to religious education and collective worship;
 - e) a clear understanding of current advice from QCA, DfES, OFSTED and other relevant organisations.
- Priority 2:** To ensure a review of the Locally Agreed Syllabus for Religious Education through an Agreed Syllabus Conference and, after appropriate consultation, to recommend publication of a new Locally Agreed Syllabus for implementation from September 2006.
- Priority 3:** To provide advice, guidance and resources to assist schools to improve the quality of the provision for:
- a) the teaching and learning of RE in all phases;
 - b) pupils' spiritual, moral, social and cultural development;
 - c) pupils' preparation for adult life, including education for citizenship and PSHE.
- Priority 4:** To monitor and report on the quality of teaching and learning, including the use of resources, in Religious Education in Bracknell Forest schools and to make recommendations to the LA based on those findings.
- Priority 5:** To monitor, evaluate and review the work of SACRE and the implementation of the SACRE development plan.

Priority 1: To ensure the continued development of an effective and proactive SACRE, offering high quality advice and guidance on religious education and collective worship to Bracknell Forest Borough Council

Action required	Time scale	Resp	Resources	Success criteria	Evaluation
(a) Programme of SACRE meetings	Nov05 -Jul09	GSA +NS	4 meetings at EP Mansion @ £110 per meeting = £440 8 meetings at nil 12 x 0.25 days @ £250 = £750	Cycle of effective meetings completed	Annual Report
(b) Prepare and have approved SACRE Development Plan	Mar06 and Mar09	GSA +NS	2x 0.5 day @ £250 = £250	High quality development plan agreed by SACRE with clearly identified priorities for action.	Annual Report. EDP progress report
(c) Training programme for members of SACRE, incl. Attendance at conferences	Sep05 -Jul09	All +NS	Annual Unitaries Conference with avg 12 members attending plus NASACRE & QCA AGMs and/or conferences each year. Estimated costs £700 annually	High quality training provided. Confident and well-informed SACRE members	Individual reports and analysis of evaluation forms
(d) Establishment of working groups to make recommendations and offer advice and guidance on a variety of topics as appropriate	Sep05 -Jul09	GSA	Nil	Working groups established. Effective guidance or advice provided to LA	Analysis of school evaluations and comments received

Priority 2: To ensure a review of the Locally Agreed Syllabus for Religious Education through an Agreed Syllabus Conference (ASC) and, after appropriate consultation, to recommend publication of a new Locally Agreed Syllabus for implementation from September 2006

Action required	Time scale	Resp	Resources	Success criteria	Evaluation
(a) Review of Locally Agreed Syllabus	Mar05 -Jun06	GSA	Included in SACRE meetings	Review conducted	Annual Report
(b) Convene ASC meetings to oversee review	Sep05 -Jun06	GSA	Estimate 3 meetings @ £125 per meeting = £375	Meetings held, new Syllabus written and adopted for recommendation to LA	ASC report to SACRE
(c) Draft new Syllabus	Mar05 -Jun06	GSA +NS	Consultant shared with the 5 other Berkshire Unitaries plus funding of supply teacher costs to cover for work group members. Estimated costs £3000	New draft Syllabus available for consultation	
(d) Consultation on draft Syllabus	May – Jun 06	NS	1 day @ £250	Draft Syllabus revised as thought necessary	
(e) SACRE and LA approval of Syllabus	May – Jun 06	GSA	Nil	Executive Member approval given	
(f) Publication and launch of new Syllabus	Jun 06	NS	Printing & distribution costs estimate of £600	New Agreed Syllabus distributed to schools and other parties	Analysis of course evaluations and comments received from schools and other bodies
(g) Launch and training programme for teachers	Jun 06	NS GSA	Share of consultant's Fee £150. Launch costs approx £400.	High quality training provided. Teachers confident with new syllabus and schemes of work	

Priority 3: **To provide advice, guidance and resources to assist schools to improve the quality of the provision for:**

- a) **the teaching and learning of RE in all phases;**
- b) **pupils' spiritual, moral, social and cultural development;**
- c) **pupils' preparation for adult life, including education for citizenship and PSHE.**

Action required	Time scale	Resp	Resources	Success criteria	Evaluation
(a) Monitor the provision of opportunities for pupils' SMSC development and the implications for RE in Bracknell Forest	Nov05 -Jul09	NS	2 days @ £250 per day = £500 LA school advisers' cooperation	Reports received at SACRE meetings	
(b) Contribute to the preparation of advice and guidance for schools' provision for RE, SMSC, PSHE and Citizenship	Sep05 -Jul09	NS	2 days @ £250 = £500	High quality advice and guidance available to schools	Schools' evaluations and comments
(c) Continue work on Resources, Artefacts and teaching notes	Sep05 -Jul09	All	Included in SACRE meetings. Purchase of artefacts £200 annually or as budget allows	High quality, effective teaching notes and artefacts maintained in good condition	Report to SACRE
(d) Continue to ensure an effective loan system	Sep05 -Jul09	NS	Resource Centre Coordinator 4 days @ £125 per day = £500	Schools continue to make full use of loan system	Reports to SACRE
(e) Utilise the Resource Centre for INSET and RE Subject Leaders' meetings	Sep05 -Jul09	NS	Nil	Successful and well attended INSET meetings held	Reports to SACRE
(f) Update Directories	2007	GSA	Printing & distribution est. £200	Updates distributed to schools	School comments

Priority 4: To monitor and report on the quality of teaching and learning, including the use of resources, in Religious Education in Bracknell Forest schools and to make recommendations to the LA based on those findings.

Action required	Time scale	Resp	Resources	Success criteria	Evaluation
(a) Commission LA Advisers to conduct a review of RE and CW in Bracknell Forest schools	Jan – May08	NS	Allow full academic year following implementation of new Syllabus. 5 days @ £250 per day = £1250	Report and recommendations produced for SACRE	Annual Report
(b) Submit report and recommendations to LA	May08	NS	0.5 days @ £250 = £125	Report submitted	Acceptance of report by SACRE and LA
(c) Monitor condition and use of artefacts and other materials in Resource Centre	Sep05 -Jul09	NS+ RCC	Resource Centre Coordinator 4 days @ £125 per day = £500	Reports submitted to SACRE meetings	Annual Report
(d) Where possible, analyse reports on RE and CW and report main findings	Mar06 -Jul09	NS	4 days @ £250 per day = £1000	Reports submitted to SACRE meetings	Annual Report
(e) Consider new ways in which monitoring may be achieved	Sep05 -Jul09	All	Nil – included in SACRE meetings	Reports or recommendations submitted to SACRE meetings	Annual Report

Priority 5: To monitor, evaluate and review the work of SACRE and the implementation of the SACRE development plan.

Action required	Time scale	Resp	Resources	Success criteria	Evaluation
(a) Prepare SACRE Annual Report	Nov	NS GSA	4 days @ £250 = £1000	High quality report prepared and approved by SACRE	SACRE evaluation
(b) Amend Report as necessary for final approval by SACRE	Nov	NS	4 x 0.25 day @ £250 per day = £250		
(c) Approve Annual Report	Dec	All	Included in SACRE meetings	Report approved	Comments received from QCA or other bodies
(d) Submit Annual Report: I) to BFBC Executive Member for Education ii) to QCA	Dec	NS	4 x 0.125 day @ £250 per day = £125		
(e) Assess the effectiveness of Bracknell Forest SACRE	2008	GSA	Self assessment guidance from Ofsted, NASACRE and others	Satisfactory outcomes	Annual Report

Total Costs over 4 years = £13,065 (£3,270 average per year)
Includes estimated cost of Agreed Syllabus Review £4,775 to be spread over two years' budgets.