

- Media and MP response to Anti-Racist RE materials from NATRE
- Ofsted Research Review
- Religion Media Centre
- RE and the catch-up curriculum
- BBC Sounds – Hinduism
- RE Online revamp
- NEW – Humanist Heritage website
- ReformingRE Blog site
- YouTube Hinduism video
- BBC Being – Sikhism
- RE Training offer 2021-22



- NATRE's Anti-Racist RE resources have been radically misrepresented in the broadcast media and by some MPs.
- NATRE have issued a statement on this stating..

- Currently NATRE are in the challenging position of having been radically misrepresented in an article in a Telegraph article '[Primary School Pupils should learn white privilege says RE teachers](#)' (15th June, 2021) regarding the purpose of NATRE's 'Anti-Racist Resources' for teachers. For your information our lesson materials do not, as suggested, provide resources to teach 'white privilege' to primary age pupils. The term 'white privilege' is simply included in a glossary of terms **for teachers context knowledge only**, and we make it clear that it is a contested concept.
- It is essential for pupils to debate controversial issues in the safe space of the classroom and to hear and understand - not necessarily agree with - those who think differently to them. The RE classroom is a space where this question, and many other big and contested questions, can be explored with nuance, knowledge, and balance. We offer knowledge-rich resources to allow informed debate about issues relating to religion and race. We do not recommend the teaching of critical race theory in the RE classroom.
- Despite being approached for comment the untruth is continuing to be used by some MPs and by certain media to promote the argument for this controversial subject.
- Please note [this document](#) outlines the contents of the resource, what has been inaccurately reported and the incorrect information included in both the Telegraph articles, and likewise a Parliamentary Question asked on 16 June 2021.

The document cited has been sent to you by Holly in case you are asked when in schools about the resource.

Ofsted: Research review: religious education



Research and analysis

Research review series: religious education

Published 12 May 2021

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/research-review-series-religious-education/research-review-series-religious-education>



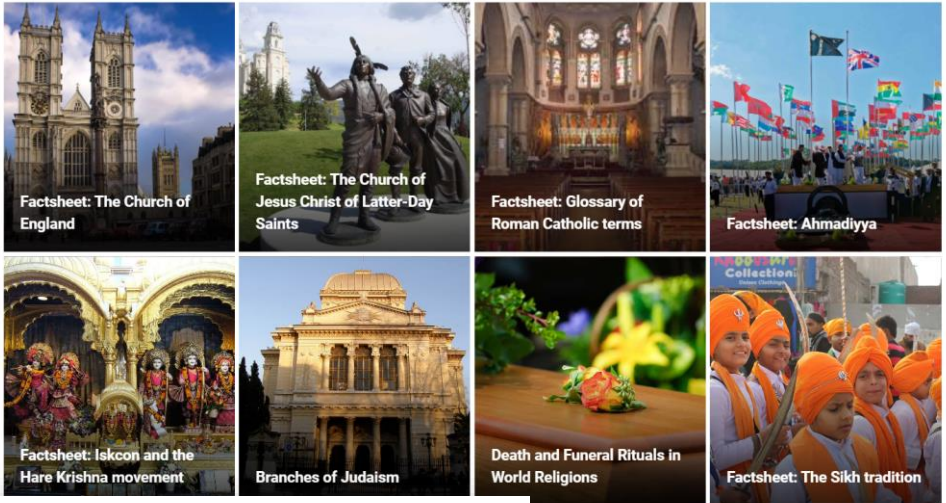
<https://religionmediacentre.org.uk>

- FREE!
- Authoritative and independent / non-confessional website.
- Provides resources for the world of media BUT the fact sheet section is a real gold mine!

RE Update

- Factsheets are written by academics, journalists and commentators to explain the context and background of current religion and belief stories.
- They include information on festivals, timelines of running stories and suggestions for experts and commentators.

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The Church of England is England's national "established" Christian denomination. It split from the Catholic Church in the 16th century and today, despite decades of decline, its parishes still cover every inch of England and its institutions remain deeply embedded in national life

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Factsheet: Druids



Druidry is a contemporary movement which takes inspiration from the beliefs and practices of the religious leaders in Iron Age European society, known as druids. Modern druidry began in the 18th century during a revival of interest in ancient druids, of which almost nothing is actually known with any historical certainty

Factsheet: Haredi Jews



By Lianne Kollirin Who are Haredi Jews? Strictly Orthodox Jews are often referred to as Haredi, which stems from the Hebrew word hared, meaning to tremble. Added meaning is drawn from a verse in Isaiah, in which God says: "But to this one

Catch-up curriculum must include RE for all pupils in all years...

- DFE have been made aware that curriculum time for Religious Education and other subjects has been cut in the name of a 'catch up curriculum'.

DFE stated 11 June 2021:

The Government have made announcements on catch-up but none of these have any impact on religious education. It is, and will remain, a mandatory requirement for all state funded schools to teach religious education to pupils in all year groups (including year 11, even if they have not opted for RS GCSE).

Nick Gibb MP: "Religious education (RE) is not an optional subject for state funded schools. They must teach RE to all pupils throughout all Key Stages up to age 18. Teaching a broad and balanced curriculum is important to the academic, social, and personal development of young people. These requirements have not changed because of the COVID-19 outbreak.





Heart and Soul: Finding my Hinduism

A journey of self-discovery challenging what Hinduism means in the modern era

🕒 25 June | Programmes | BBC World Service



Asian Network Investigates: Finding my Hinduism

Journalist Nalini Sivathasan tries to make sense of her identity as a British Hindu.

🕒 4 June | Programmes | BBC Asian Network



Asian Network's Big Debate: 'Finding My Hinduism' discussion and Huma Qureshi


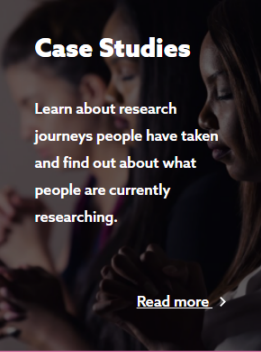
Ankur hears from young Hindus who tell us what their faith means to them.

🕒 4 June | Programmes | BBC Asian Network

- BBC Sounds – three short programmes to listen to on the topic of Finding My Hinduism
- Excellent source of knowledge for teachers.
- Explores the diverse worldviews within the Hindu dharma.

www.bbc.co.uk/sounds/search?q=finding+my+hinduism

www.reonline.org.uk/research/

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RE Update

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Travel through time

<https://heritage.humanists.uk>

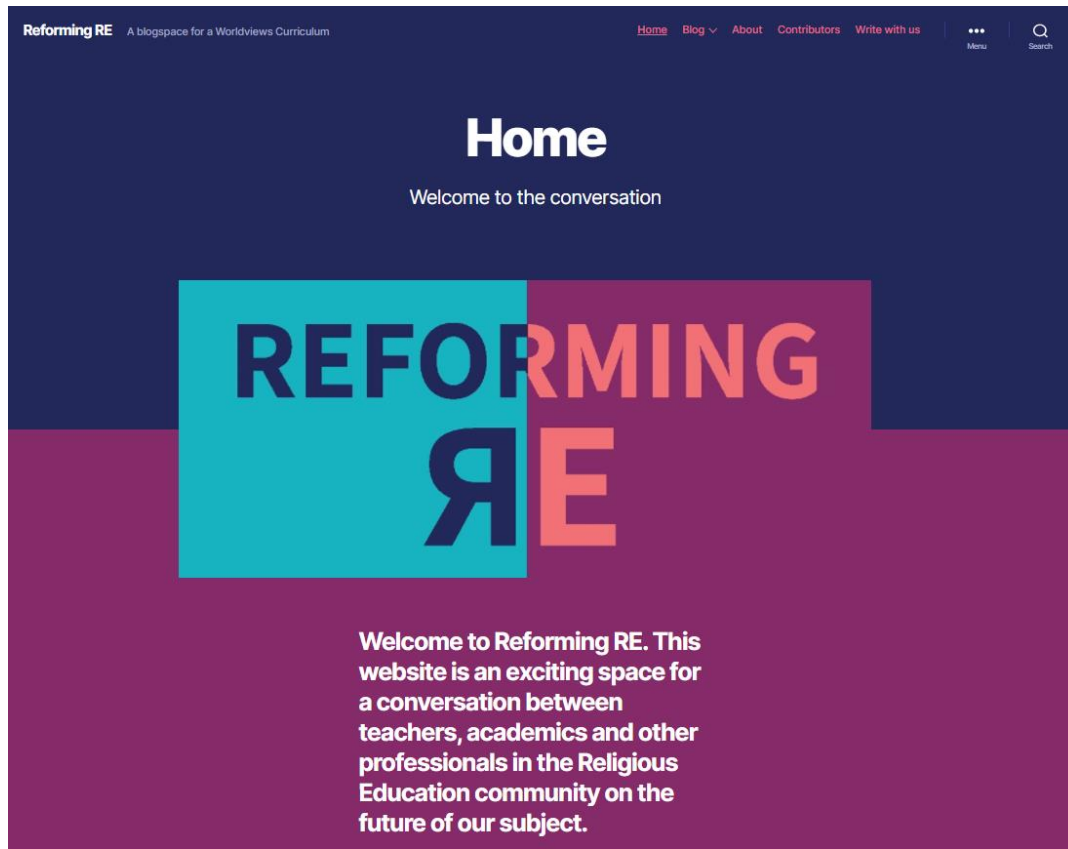
New website to mark 125th anniversary of Humanists UK, free online resources that will support teachers and students to explore the rich history and influence on the UK of humanist thought in action.



Designing your RE Curriculum
– a recent blog from Matthew
Lane (Hethersett CE VC
Primary)

Good easy read – included in
your DSSO pack.

RE Update



<https://reformingre.wordpress.com>

A brilliant blog developed by Mark Chater, Matthew Lane, Kate Christopher and Mary Myatt.

Lots of Norfolk contributors...

<https://youtu.be/Gwo5dByL3WA>



A great FREE YouTube video has been produced to explore the lived experience of Hindus – the centre has been closed during lockdown and has produced this for schools to use with pupils instead of visiting in person.



BBC Being...

Have produced a full series of online programmes exploring British Sikh's celebrating life's biggest moments from birth, coming of age, marriage and the end of life.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/p096g910>

Prices for 2021:

- 1 hour virtual support or SEF/ planning scrutiny - £25
- Half day bespoke support – 3 hours: £65
- Full Day bespoke support - 5 hours: £100
- Staff meeting or bespoke governor meeting - £50
- RE Audit (report provided) - £200