

# North Yorkshire County Council

## North Yorkshire Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education (SACRE) –

### December 2022 Update from the Local Authority

#### 1.0 Purpose of the Report

To inform Members on work undertaken by the Local Authority since the last SACRE meeting.

#### 2.0 Communication and resourcing

- 2.1 Local Authority Officers have met with the Professional RE Adviser to co-ordinate the publication of the Annual Report.
- 2.2 The termly newsletter is continuing to be distributed to schools via the Red Bag system, and occasional and ad hoc information is also posted via Red Bag.
- 2.3 School leaders have been communicated to both via Red Bag and SEAs to encourage participation in the annual survey on RE and Collective Worship in schools. This data forms a baseline for inclusion in the Annual Report. A total of 75 schools (60 primary, 15 secondary) responded, which is an increase of slightly more than 50% responses to last year.

#### 3.0 Support for Senior Leaders and Governors

- 3.1 A named Senior Education Adviser has dedicated management time to liaise and co-ordinate work with the professional RE Adviser.
- 3.2 Work has commenced with school governance officers to develop support for school governing bodies to further understand their statutory responsibilities regarding religious education and collective worship.
- 3.3 The professional RE Adviser is scheduled to present to the Spring Headteacher Leadership Briefings to communicate updates on current statutory responsibilities and changes in religious education provision.
- 3.4 The Local Authority facilitated the administrative and bookings of subject leader networks and are continuing to update the resources pages on <http://nyes.info> Networks and training courses are available to be booked for the current school year. Data concerning uptake and feedback is reported in the professional adviser report.

#### 4.0 Ofsted inspections

- 4.1 Since the last SACRE meeting Ofsted have published 13 Section 5, 8 and monitoring reports;

	Primary	Secondary	Special	PRS
Maintained	5	1	1	0
Academy	5	1	0	0

Narrative refers to religious education and collective worship as follows;

- The Christian ethos remains central to leaders improvement plans.
- Pupils caring attitudes at the school reflect its strong Christian ethos.

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