



Annual Report 2016

Where we are and what we do

The RSResource Centre continues to operate from rented accommodation within the Vine Community Centre on Bobbers Mill Road in Nottingham, where it is looked after by the Centre Manager, the Rev'd Ken Johnson.

We assist schools to enhance their delivery of RE through the items we have available for loan or through our Faith Experiences. The Centre is also the office of Nottingham Inter Faith Council. Together we try to answer a range of enquiries made to us from various communities.

Through an annual subscription of £15 per academic year, subscribers can borrow artefacts / books/ DVDs from our range to enhance their work in RE. Orders are placed on line; collected from the Reception at The Vine, to where they are returned after use.

The Centre Manager voluntarily gives his time to run and to communicate the work of the Centre, which is affiliated to the Federation of RE Centres operating across the country. He currently serves as the Secretary of the Nottinghamshire County Council **Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education**.

Through consulting our web site, teachers can find out about what is happening in RE and can consult the County **SACRE** pages which are hosted on our web site.

Our Management Committee, which meets each term is composed of a representative from our various stakeholders. The Centre is self financing, receiving no financial assistance from any authority.

The year gone by

During the past calendar year we have re-located within the Vine to larger premises, which means we can accommodate more visitors as well as hosting small meetings. We continue to be grateful for the willingness of the Vine Reception staff to assist with the handing out of loan orders and receiving them back for us. This service enables us to assist schools in their development of good RE through the use of artefacts.

We have welcomed visitors from schools and other groups to the Centre to view the resources we have available, though this needs to be arranged in advance. Most of the administration of the Centre is done away from the Centre itself which is why we ask for 7 working days notice for loans.

Conferences and Courses

During the year we have attended conferences and courses across the County about our work in developing RE in schools. We were present at the Southwell and Nottingham Diocesan Head Teacher's conference as well as being involved with the County Primary Network meetings.

We are active members of the Federation of RE Centres; our Centre Manager edits the Federation's newsletter. In this forum we can share ideas and hear of what is happening across RE Centres across the country. We are also able to voice our views on National developments through the RE Council.



