

Teachers of RE in all phases of education are invited to attend the 2026
South West Peninsula LTLRE 14th Annual Conference

'You can only be safe and secure in a society that practices tolerance, cherishes harmony and can celebrate difference'. Rabbi Hugo Gryn

LTLRE Area 1 RE Conference 2026

Knowledge-Rich and Socially Connected RE

Friday 2nd October 2026
9.30-3.30pm

St Mellion Conference Centre, Nr Saltash

Cost: £90

Keynote speakers:

Katie Freeman: *Curriculum Architecture - what is the place of RE in an ever-changing world?*

Joyce Miller: *Identity, Inclusion, Cohesion and RE*

Panel session: to include Muslim, Zoroastrian, Humanist, Christian, Buddhist and Baha'i voices.

Question: are people's beliefs and worldviews set for life, or do they change and develop?

Workshops will include:

- Practical ways to use AI in RE
- Using Oak resources to support your RE curriculum
- Adaptive teaching for inclusive RE
- Diverse perspectives and 'lived experience' from faith and belief speakers
- RE and SIAMS for Church schools
- Planning and assessment in primary RE
- Teaching outstanding RE at secondary
- Adapting your curriculum for a RWs approach

For more information and to register – click [HERE](#)

Programme

Timings	Details	Rooms
9.00 - 9.30	Arrival and welcome	
9.30 - 9.35	Ed Pawson, Jo Hunter and Greg Parekh Introduction to the conference	St Mellion A
9.35 - 10.20	Keynote 1	St Mellion A
10.20 – 11.00	Keynote 2	St Mellion A
11.00 – 11.15	Refreshment break	
11.15 – 12.10	Workshop 1	4 parallel workshops
12.10 - 13.05	Lunch break	
13.05 - 13.25	RE and LTLRE hub updates	St Mellion A
13.25 - 14.20	Workshop 2	4 parallel workshops
14.20 - 14.25	Cake and Tea	
14.25 – 15.25	Panel discussion: Exploring diverse perspectives Question: are people’s beliefs and worldviews set for life, or do they change and develop?	St Mellion A
15.25 – 15.30	Evaluations and Close	

Faith and Belief panel members: Shiruy Billimoria (Zoroastrian), Arezoo Farazhad (Baha’i), Sharon Luck (Muslim), Joyce Miller (Buddhist), Tim Purches (Humanist), Christian

Conference workshop sessions

Workshop	Leader	KS	Session descriptions
Case studies and stories from Oak Academy	Adam Robertson	1, 2	Adam will be showing how to use Oak's extensive, innovative and free primary RE resources to help teach the Devon, Torbay, Plymouth and Cornwall syllabus
New to leading RE in a primary school	Nicki Bonell, Rachel Earley	1, 2	In this session Nicki will be showcasing resources and support pathways for new and existing RE leads in primary schools. Rachel heads up RE across a MAT and she will be outlining some of the key features of trust-wide RE leadership.
Adaptive teaching for inclusive RE	Hannah Down, Rebecca Parkinson	1, 2	Hannah and Rebecca will offer some valuable techniques for adaptive teaching and inclusion in primary RE - bring and share ideas
RE and SIAMS in CofE schools	Jo Hunter, Corrine Guntrip	1, 2	This session will explore how to teach good RE in CofE schools, with insights into how to understand the expectations of a SIAMS inspection
Sacred Questions, Digital Answers	Steve Gibson	1, 2, 3, 4	This session will investigate the ethics and use of AI in the classroom, looking at a wide range of resources both good and bad, equipping ourselves to make the most of the opportunities new technology provides while also protecting against the potential pitfalls
My journey into Islam - the story of a white British revert	Sharon Luck	2, 3	Sharon will explain how she became a Muslim, why she wears a hijab, but hasn't taken on an Islamic name. She will be sharing some valuable insights into how to teach about Islam in the classroom
Teaching outstanding RE at secondary	Greg Parekh, Rachel Willcocks, Kelly Keatley	3, 4	This session, led by experienced secondary RE leaders, will explore a variety of current issues at KS3 and 4, with QandA time for an interactive discussion
Understanding Zoroastrianism	Shiruy Bilimoria	3, 4	Shiruy was brought up in a Parsee family in Bombay, India. In this session he will give an introduction to Zoroastrian worldviews and explore the way this tradition sits at the root of the Abrahamic traditions