

NEWSLETTER

developing young people into responsible adults

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R.E. Project & Days

LHT has been working with schools to put together a series of lessons based on Christianity from the REC and the Northamptonshire SACRE “A Curriculum Framework for Religious Education in England” for 2018 – 2023, to help support religious education in schools. Both the RE Lessons and the RE Days help support schools in their learning and help cover the legal requirement to teach a broad and balanced curriculum, which includes RE.

R.E. Days

At the end of the last school year, we were contacted by the head of Arbours Primary Academy regarding how Lighthouse could assist the school in delivering R.E lessons that would engage the pupils. We discussed the possibility of approaching the Christianity-side of the R.E syllabus in an entirely new and refreshing way.

So, in December 2018, a team of six volunteers came together from different churches to engage with pupils during three consecutive days. We taught across all the year groups in the school using a wide variety of mediums and crossing R.E with other curriculum subjects. We had Year one’s navigating robots across the River Jordan, Year three’s debating in temple courts and Year five’s making tableaux’s in peer-led drama groups. We had fun! The most important thing was to see how the children and staff responded to the team. We want to share. We want to teach. But most of all we want to love and love well!



Arbours RE Days

R.E. Lesson Project

Project 1 ran from November to December 2018 and Project 2 from January to March 2019.

During this period LHT worked at the following schools; Croyland Road Primary (Wellingbrough), Hardingstone Academy, Hopping Hill Primary and Stimpson Avenue Primary (Northampton) presenting in total 24 lessons across all year groups.

What’s New

We are pleased to welcome Rose Smith and Viv Vass to the Trustees team...

“I was impressed by the quality of the planning, resourcing and diversity of the delivery methods. All adults worked well with the classes and the overall sense from the teachers is that it was successful. We are very much looking forward to the Spring and Summer term RE days”

Angela Rock (Acting Head) Arbours Academy



Rose is currently the director of, First Class Learning, Northampton East, a qualified primary teacher and English and Math’s tutor and having worked as a Special Needs Coordinator in a number of Northampton primary schools, she brings a lot of experience and knowledge of the education sector to the

work of Lighthouse Trust.

Rose has been actively involved in Lighthouse Trust’s projects over a number of years and is now part of the RE Days Project Team currently working in Arbours Primary Academy.

RE Lessons / Days - a total of 39 hours learning time in the classroom from November 2018 to March 2019.



Viv works for the Early Help Service, within Northamptonshire County Council supporting Families and Young people during tricky and challenging times in their lives. Viv has worked in this field for different organisations for almost 20 years. She has, until recently, been a governor in a local primary school serving for almost 16 years.

She has been an active volunteer with LHT working as part of the Pastoral and Interventions Team, helping to deliver Transitions Workshops in primary schools; part of the Summer Schools Weeks Teams and has been part of the team providing assemblies in primary schools. - so welcome Viv to yet another important role within the team.

Community Support Worker - Leah Peters

I began this adventure back in July 2018 when I joined Richard as a volunteer going into schools for Year 6 transitions workshops! The scope for discussion and the opportunities for nurture amongst this age group, stood out to me as precious moments. I then presented Anti-bullying assemblies last November as well as supporting the ongoing assembly project.

From January 2019, I was appointed as a Community Support Worker, working two days a week and I am now writing and presenting assemblies and R.E lessons and have headed up the R.E days at Arbours Primary Academy, with the help of a fantastic team.

Volunteer - Kate Adams

Hi, I am the Children's/Family Pastor at the Central Vineyard Church, Northampton and I am married with 3 children. I am a qualified Nursery Nurse and have 20 years experience of working with children of all ages.



I'm so pleased to be able to partner with LHT, my church and with schools in and around Northampton to help support those in education. It's really important for children to question and discover what they believe for themselves and I am so excited to be involved with LHT R.E Days Team, as we engage with young children, helping them to discover their own identity and purpose in life.

Coming Up

LIGHT HOUSE TRUST Transitions Workshops for Year 6 (Jun to Jul 2019) - see website for more details.



In education it is acknowledged that a thriving child may lose potential during transition periods between **primary and secondary school**. This transitioning between schools is a particularly significant change for children and It is important that we acknowledge how they feel and help them gain skills to find solutions, or strategies to manage these feelings..

Lighthouse Trust (Northampton), with a carefully coordinated plan with a school's leadership and a strong partner relationship with feeder primaries, will help support a successful transition. Lighthouse Trust offers 3 workshops on Changes, Challenges & Choices, which will help children to build resilience and allow them to have a chance to try out different coping skills and methods, and find the ones that work for them. Please get in touch if we can help support you and your school.



For more information on the work of Lighthouse Trust (Northampton), please visit the website where you can see the extent of its work and its diary: www.lighthouse-trust.org.uk

For your diary:

The next AGM Celebration and Buffet Meal will be on Wednesday 15 May 2019 starting at 7.15 pm at Moulton Parish Church Centre, NN3 7SW. During the evening, a short (approx. 25 minutes) A.G.M. will take place. This will enable supporters to hear about progress made and plans for the coming year. Please get in touch to book your place by email: lighthouse@livinggrace.org.uk or phone 07720 571178.