



CELEBRATING  
DIVERSITY &  
PROMOTING  
RELIGIOUS  
LITERACY THROUGH  
UNDERSTANDING

# Bradford Interfaith & Diversity Education 2022/23 Brochure

*"I feel we have given the children a wonderful opportunity to broaden their knowledge and understanding of diversity, faith, culture and the importance of community."*

Otley All Saints Primary School, December 2021



## FREE ONLINE FORUM & NEWSLETTER

We are pleased to announce the launch of our new Interfaith Forum on the Skills 4 Bradford website. The forum will give an opportunity for teachers and RE leaders to discuss topics of interest with colleagues from across the District and beyond, provide mutual support and to receive updates and information.

If you are interested in joining this forum for **FREE** please log onto [www.skills4bradford.co.uk](http://www.skills4bradford.co.uk) and under the Communications tab select Forums, click on the Bradford Interfaith and Diversity Education Forum to send a request to join. WE LOOK FORWARD TO "SEEING" YOU THERE.

We are also launching our **FREE** newsletter packed with news, advice, reminders of holy festivals etc. Look out for the first edition landing in your inbox soon!

We help promote respect, tolerance, equality and understanding with a range of interfaith and diversity services covering the six major world faiths.

By promoting critical thinking and celebrating diversity, our service helps schools to fulfil the Ofsted requirement of **"developing understanding & appreciation of diversity; celebrating what we have in common and promoting respect for the different protected characteristics."**

Our sessions enable learners to explore:

- beliefs in action
- worship, pilgrimage & sacred places
- symbols and religious expression
- religion, family and community

Schools have reported a change in children's behaviour following our visits or assemblies, feeling they appear calmer and more peaceful with an enhanced spiritual awareness.

We are able to tailor our services to any key stage group as well as teacher groups. Alongside schools we can also support other organisations including adult groups. Previous clients include the BBC, Ministry of Defence, Job Centre Plus, universities, colleges, NHS and the Police among others.



## Guided visits to places of worship

Visiting a real life place of worship is not only an exciting, unique trip but also further strengthens the impact of the learning acquired. Schools have fed back to us that meeting a practicing person of faith really brings to life the religion.

The team has been leading visits for over 30 years with an excellent working relationship with the places of worship.

A named Faith Tutor will handle your visit and send information with guidance on dress-code / protocols & risk assessment for the place of worship. You will also have the opportunity to discuss any learning objectives & appropriate outcomes.

Visits can be arranged to maximise the cost of travel including combining a workshop at the end of the visit or why not have a multi-faith day with visits to several places of worship?

However, if travel costs are prohibitive, we can also deliver virtually. For example a pre-recorded visit to a place of worship coupled with a live session with the tutor facilitating your choice of activities, stories, questions and answers etc. tailored to your organisation's needs.

Visit [www.skills4bradford.co.uk/Page/17293](http://www.skills4bradford.co.uk/Page/17293) for a sneak preview of our virtual visits.

**What did you find most valuable about your visit?**  
**"Students see faiths as 'living traditions.' They do not view religious people as 'the other.' Misconceptions around the faiths were reshaped. Students saw authentic worship."** Astrea Academy, Dearne, November 2021

## Workshops

To consolidate the visit experience, learners can participate in one of our workshops which will reinforce learning in an entertaining and engaging way via a selection of faith related initiative workshops including Hindu dance, Sikh music, Muslim prayer mat, Islamic Garden, Lotus flower, story telling and drama.

Through drama, music & art, pupils explore stories from faith & culture to discover the importance of our shared human values. All our workshops have clearly defined learning outcomes. They can also be booked as a stand-alone event without having a visit.

## RE Lessons

Faith tutors can visit your school to support learning in religious education, citizenship and related curriculum areas using a variety of media and resources to ensure effective learning.

Each session is planned to suit your school's needs but a typical duration is one hour although could be longer if required. The faith tutor will liaise with the class teacher to ensure that learning objectives are met and appropriate teaching strategies are used.

## Virtual Faith Topics

If you would like a short topic to use as a teaching aid, we have recorded a range of topics with a faith angle including caring for the environment, food in Islam, making the right choices and meditation.

They are an excellent resource to build a lesson or whole project around and represent excellent value at just £35 each (price held from last year) or some are free as part of your subscription package.



**"The tutor was really engaging as a teacher and reinforced learning all the way through. So much information was packed into the session, but it was not overwhelming at all. Her ability to keep the children focused was excellent and she questioned the children and also got them to discuss their feelings. We were all buzzing on return to school and followed up with worksheet she sent. Both pupils and teachers alike learned from the trip."**

Giggleswick Junior School, December 2021

## Faith Assemblies

The team can support schools in meeting the statutory requirement to deliver a daily act of collective worship by:

- participating in / leading collective worship
- lead Separate Faith Worship
- celebrate a festival
- advise and support school staff leading worship
- teaching children how different faiths live alongside each other.

These assemblies make an important contribution to the spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of pupils and also offers opportunities to develop an appreciation of shared human values whilst providing a vehicle through which pupils can understand and respond to local and global events.

The team are very experienced in planning and delivering faith assemblies to all group sizes tailored to each school's requirements in terms of content, length and frequency. Drop us a line on [interfaith@bradford.gov.uk](mailto:interfaith@bradford.gov.uk) to discuss your needs. Visit [www.skills4bradford.co.uk/Page/17293](http://www.skills4bradford.co.uk/Page/17293) for a sneak preview of our faith assemblies.

## Virtual Celebration Assemblies

These pre-recorded assemblies are a fantastic, cost-effective way for your school to celebrate different faith celebrations from across the world each year.

They can be streamed into all your classrooms to celebrate whichever special event(s) you choose at just £35 and we've even managed to hold the price from last year!

## Community Faith & Diversity Training

This training is an excellent opportunity for staff to gain an insight into the key elements of the 6 major world faiths. It is run as a scheduled course over 2 sessions with each hour and a half session covering 3 faiths: Abrahamic (Christianity, Judaism and Islam) religions and Indian religions (Buddhism, Hinduism and Sikhism).

This course can also be delivered on demand for a school, group of schools, MAT or any other organisation and tailored to suit particular needs. Simply email us to discuss your needs - [interfaith@bradford.gov.uk](mailto:interfaith@bradford.gov.uk)

*What did you find most valuable? "Talking through the origins of the religions in detail and learning about how the religions were founded. Excellent background information."*

Haworth Primary Academy, September 2021

## Bespoke Training

We are also able to offer bespoke training for your staff which can cover any area of faith for your requirements. This is a cost effective way of ensuring all staff are up-to-speed with this area of work & are delivering in a consistent way. It can be delivered for an individual school or group of schools as part of a MAT, federation, LAP, cluster.

*What did you find most valuable? "The engaging style in which it was delivered; the use of artefacts to encourage participation; the range of faiths and the depth at which they were delivered."*

Bradford Girls Grammar School, September 2021

## Faith Hot Seat Q&A Session NEW

Young people often have many questions about faith, this is an opportunity for them to ask those difficult questions in a safe learning environment. Standard sessions are 1/2 hour or 1 hour with 2 faith tutors but we'd be happy to quote for a different duration or number of faiths.

## Year 7 Diversity Training NEW

It can be daunting for year 7 pupils settling into a diverse school community especially if they have come from a smaller primary school. This session is an opportunity for this year group to understand how different faiths live alongside each other. It is a chance to ask questions and bust myths, helping the new year group to integrate and thrive in their new environment.

## Faith Trail Treasure Hunt NEW

This is a fun chance for children to learn lots of facts about different faiths by doing a guided treasure hunt around the district. It's a 2 hour session with a chance to spot artefacts and interesting items around the area. It could also be followed by a visit to a place of worship or a workshop to maximise the trip.



## Packages

Our Faith Tutor Time packages represent the best value-for-money from our service.

The subscriptions can be used flexibly for:

- visits to places of worship
- workshops at your school
- group training for your staff
- one-to-one tailored support for your RE Curriculum Leader.

Packages range from 4 hours upwards and you can choose how you use the time in terms of session length.

The packages also come with added benefits in terms of downloadable classroom resources and videos available free to members only.

## Pay As You Go

Alternatively you can pay for Faith Tutor Time on a PAYG basis. If you are a school / organisation outside Bradford interested in booking support to take place at your site, please email us for a quote.

*What did you find most valuable about your visit?*

**"An understanding of tolerant religion which is often not presented by the media." Cundall Manor School, January 2022**

**"It was great to focus on the similarities between the faiths, rather than the differences as well. And the peace and tranquility that our tutors spread was delightful and aspirational in equal measure".**

**Sandal Primary School, October 2021**

## Pricing

### Faith Tutor Time Packages

4 hours £540	5 hours £670
6 hours £795	7 hours £925
8 hours £1,055	9 hours £1,185
10 hours £1,310	11 hours £1,440

If you are interested in any other number of hours please email for a quote.

To ensure all pupils have the best experience and greatest impact on their learning during a place of worship visit, group sizes are limited to 35. If parents would like to accompany, they can do so FOR FREE.

### Pay As You Go Prices

Visit to a Place of Worship £135

Workshop / RE Lesson in School £155

Pre-recorded Faith Topics £35 **2021 PRICE HELD**

In-School Faith Assemblies £125 per faith

Pre-recorded Celebration Assemblies £35  
**2021 PRICE HELD**

Scheduled Diversity Training £65/delegate  
**2021 PRICE HELD**

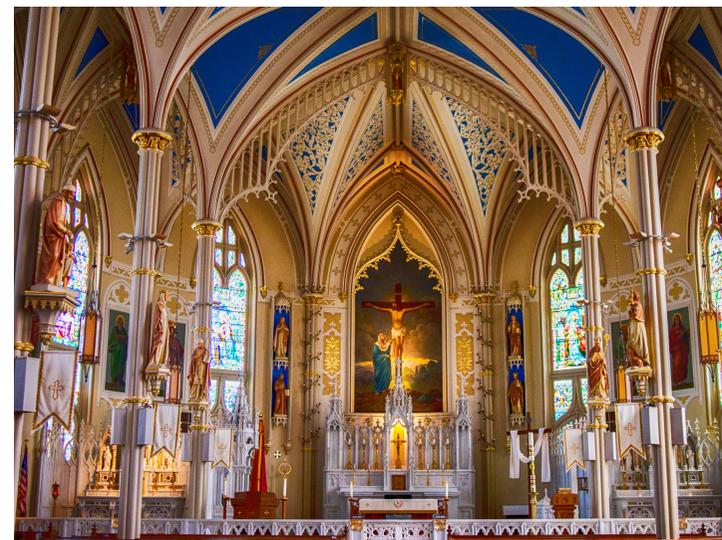
In-School Diversity Training 2 x 1.5 hour sessions £260 per school (20 delegates max, for larger groups or different session lengths please request a quote)

Bespoke Faith Training (1 hour) £175  
For longer sessions please request a quote.

Faith Hot Seat Q&A Session (30/60 mins) £85/ £120

Year 7 Diversity Training (1 hour) £155

Faith Trail Treasure Hunt (2 hours) £90



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