

Subject: Culham St Gabriel's Leadership Programme Promotion

Over the next few months, we will be promoting our Leadership programme, which is aimed at those who teach pupils from ages 4-18 and are currently leading RE, RME or RVE outside of their own school. This could include working across a MAT, local area, region or in a national capacity. We welcome applicants from England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.

Applications open on January 20th and close March 21st. I was wondering if you would be able to share some promotional content on social media (like/share/re-tweet anything we post, or share content of your own), or whether I could add some promotional content to a blog/webpage if relevant?

This programme is a fantastic (and fully funded) opportunity for applicants to find their voices as leaders through tailored mentoring and communities of practice. Participants in the programme will also take part in small scale action research.

All the info is on our website, but here's a summary:

We aim to develop leaders in the following four areas, helping them to become:

- Research engaged
- Curriculum engaged
- Politically engaged
- Classroom engaged

This programme brings together the following organisations who all have representatives on the steering group which oversees the programme:

- Association of RE Advisers, Inspectors and Consultants (AREIAC)
- Association of University Lecturers on RE (AULRE)
- Learn, Teach, Lead RE (LTLRE)
- National Association of SACREs (NASACRE)
- National Association of Teachers of RE (NATRE)
- RE Council of England and Wales (REC)

The programme is funded by Culham St Gabriel's.

More information about the programme can be found here:

https://www.cstg.org.uk/scholarship-programmes/leadership/

Below, I have included quotes about the programme from some of our recent alumni which you might like to use in promotion.

"The two-year Culham St Gabriel Trust's Leadership programme has been the most invaluable training programme I have participated in in my teaching career. It has given me unparalleled bespoke mentoring from leading practitioners in the Religious Education that has enabled me to make a notable impact and champion significant changes on a local and national level."

"I am so blessed to have completed the CSTG Leadership programme! It was certainly one of the most instrumental parts of raising my levels of confidence as a RE professional and opening up doors for me that wouldn't have otherwise been as easy to access. The programme allowed me to develop my communication skills and being able to collaborate with others. I have met some of the most important people in the RE community through having completed the programme and am now fortunate enough to call on many of these people as my friends. The CSTG Leadership programme gave me an insight into a whole new world- one that I knew I wanted to be part of!"

"The leadership scholarship programme supported my leadership programme in so many ways! The reading group introduced me to academic reading in a collaborative and safe way, which helped me create both a new syllabus for my county as RE advisor, and an improved and more challenging curriculum for my school."

"The leadership programme introduced me to a whole new world of RE beyond my school and trust. I was encouraged to join my local SACRE and eventually to put myself forward for the NATRE national executive. I was supported to read and engage with academic research through the reading groups and to think about the 'bigger picture' of national RE policy. Since completing the programme, I have left the classroom to become a curriculum writer and advisor, I'm now also co-vice-chair of AREIAC. If it wasn't for the support of the leadership programme and my amazing mentors, I would have left education altogether."

Please let me know if you have any questions or would like any further info.

Have a lovely rest of the week,

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