

# RE: Connect Project

Teacher Fellowship Programme on RE and Climate Crisis



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Do you teach  
RE (primary or  
secondary)?

Are you  
based in the  
Midlands?

Would you welcome  
the opportunity to  
deepen and enhance  
your pedagogy on RE  
and climate change?

If so, please apply to  
take part in our new  
fully-funded Teacher  
Fellowship Programme.

## What is the project?

RE: Connect is a new project designed to help deepen teachers' understanding and confidence for exploring the environmental crisis through the lens of religions and worldviews in RE. We are seeking eight creative RE teachers who wish to connect with their pupils on the environmental crisis to take part in a six-month teacher fellowship programme, beginning in September 2021.

The initiative is run by Dr Jeremy Kidwell, Senior Lecturer in Theological Ethics at the University of Birmingham, and Dr Ian Jones of St Peter's Saltley Trust, supported by a steering group of experienced primary and secondary specialists, environmental scientists and practitioners.

The programme will offer opportunities to:

- Deepen subject knowledge on the intersection of religion and ecology
- Collaborate with cutting-edge subject specialists on religious ethics/practice, ecology, and climate change policy
- Work as part of a supportive and dynamic team to create and trial new approaches and resources for teaching on this theme
- Become a champion for teaching and learning on religion and environmental crisis

## What will the fellowship programme involve?

The Teacher Fellowship Programme will involve monthly workshops from Sept 2021 to March 2022, with tasks to undertake between workshops.

Project funding will cover costs to the schools of participating teachers, so there is no cost to the teacher or school.

## How to apply

Please send a CV and covering letter (not more than 1 page), explaining:

- why you are an ideal candidate to take part in the Teacher Fellowship Programme
- What you think are the biggest challenges facing RE teachers in trying to engage with the subject of climate change

Please send your application to Jeremy Kidwell and Ian Jones, via: [bursar@saltleytrust.org.uk](mailto:bursar@saltleytrust.org.uk).

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