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- ✚ **Lent** - this week Christians all over the world entered the blessed season of Lent. This six-and-a-half weeks of prayer and personal reflection, leading to the joy of Easter, is rooted in the Greek word *metanoia*, which literally means a change of heart – changing the direction of our lives, our attitudes and outlooks. A reaching out to everyone in a spirit of love and peace, conscious of the call to Love one Another.
- ✚ **Lenten Reflections** – our Lenten programme kicked off yesterday with a splendid input by Leroy Bowtell of Rosehill Baptist Church on the theme of the trials we all undergo in our daily lives. Join us again on **Thursday 17th March at 1245hrs**, when Rev Gareth Higgs of Wheatley Lane Methodist Church will be our speaker. For poster click on [Reflections](#) Everyone is very welcome to join us - soup and rolls to finish.
- ✚ **Discover Muhammad** – please note that this event, reported before half term, is now taking place at the Faith Centre on **Tuesday 29th March between 1730hrs and 2000hrs**. Further information to follow. Do make a note of this in your diary.
- ✚ **Celebrating RE 2011** – following the item in the pre-half term bulletin, we are delighted that at least seven local high schools have signed up for this nationwide celebration. Working closely with our local teachers and faith partners, schools are working on a number of interesting themes back at base, with the fruit of their work being showcased at the Faith Centre between **Wednesday 30 March and Fri 1 April inclusive**. We are planning a semi-informal gathering / presentation on **Thursday 31 March at 1400hrs**. Everyone is welcome. Do support the excellent RE being taught and studied in our local area. For illustration **see attached**. More info to follow.
- ✚ **RE GCSE Conferences** – following the success our conferences in recent years, we are delighted to report that Whitworth High School will be bringing circa 40 Year 11 students for our next study day on Friday 20 May. We look forward to it.
- ✚ **Graduate Teacher Programme - Equality & Diversity Seminar** – next Thursday we will join a seminar organised by the North West and Lancashire GTP Consortium, a partnership made up of Lancashire County Council, Edge Hill University and the University of Cumbria. We will be running 4 workshops on the general theme of Faith and Belief. Will look forward to comparing notes with our NW trainee teachers.
- ✚ **Interested In Teaching?** – many thanks to all those who came along to the drop in session with Edge Hill University earlier this week. Hopefully the afternoon will result in new, enthusiastic teachers emerging from this area in the years to come.

"There is a great joy to you, even though for a short time yet you must bear all sorts of trials; so that the worth of your faith, more valuable than gold, which is perishable even if has been tested by fire, may be proved"

1Peter 1:6-7 – New Testament