

RS MATTERS

Welcome RSTAANZ members.

The following are offerings from the exec and wider membership relevant to our RS mahi.

New Executive Committee.

Following the elections earlier this year the RSTAANZ Executive Committee would like to formally thank all members for their votes of election.

The Executive Committee for 2024/2025 is made up of the following people:
Elected onto the RSTAANZ exec. are:

1. Colin MacLeod
2. John Chote
3. Lisa Jenkins
4. Maria Fouhy
5. Andrea Craig
6. Krystian McInnis
7. Amjad Ali



<https://www.rstaanz.org.nz/team-4>

Meet the Member:

Each newsletter we will introduce you to a a member of the Committee. We shall begin by introducing our newest member, Krys McInnis: (Diocesan School for Girls, RE teacher):

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1hzbe6wPgEgxyghpgnDFRo1GYu97rJ6pC/view?usp=drive_link

Many thanks:

- The Executive Committee would like to thank Sarai Stephens for her service to RSTAANZ over the last two years.



Website:

- The RSTAANZ website has had a refresh and is looking fabulous:, check it out here: <https://www.rstaanz.org.nz/blank-4>
- We would love it to be a hive of activity for all things Religious Studies, if you have any reosurces, information or news which you would like to share please let us know by emailing: RSTAANZ@gmail.com

The voice of our Members:

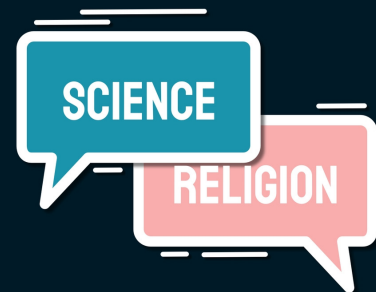
Now that our Membership lists are up to date we wish to ask you a few questions. This will allow us to understand what our members want from the Committee, what issues relating to Religious Studies our members wish us to be aware of and be proactive about. Along side who you are, what brought you to teach Religious Studies, are you a non-specialist that needs support with curriculum, Scholarship or Moderation. We would like you to consider these questions ready for the link invite in the September issue of the newsletter.

Scholarship RS:

This years theme is debate about the complementarity of science and religion.

<https://www2.nzqa.govt.nz/ncea/subjects/scholarship-subjects/new-zealand-scholarship-religious-studies/>

If you are interested in more information about Scholarship RS, how to set up a class and design a curriculum based upon the theme or even have a student who is working on their own and needs assistance email: RSTANZ@gmail.com.



Modern Slavery article:

Year 12 students at Baradene College of the Sacred Heart, Auckland used Standard AS90822 (Explain how a contemporary social action derives from the ethical principles of a religious tradition) to study the topic of Modern Slavery. This thought provoking and global issue involves affects the lives of someone of the worlds most vulnerable people, as well as having a negative effect on trade and the enviroment. Students became involved with Tui Motu magazine through being asked to contribute to an article on the subject. As an independant Catholic magazine, their articles really help when designing and creating a curriculum to teach this Standard. <https://tuimotu.org/>



- NEW LEVEL 1 STANDARD REFRESHER AND Q&A
<https://ncea.education.govt.nz/whats-new/online-workshops-ncea-level-1-subjects-and-wahanga-ako>

NCEA FACILITATORS TO SUPPORT YOU

- <https://ncea.education.govt.nz/te-tai-raro-north>
NCEA Implementation Facilitators can be accessed by contacting your regional Te Mahau office.

SCHOLARSHIP SUPPORT

- <https://www.ineos.com/inch-magazine/articles/issue-7/debate/>
- <https://www.pewresearch.org/science/2015/10/22/perception-of-conflict-between-science-and-religion/>
- <https://plato.stanford.edu/entries/religion-science/>

Courses and websites: