



Australian Association for Religious Education

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AARE CIRCULAR – JANUARY 2023

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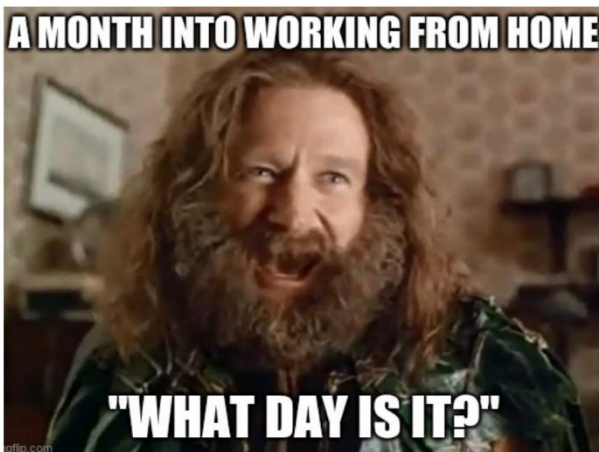
The Australian Association for Religious Education is the non-denominational, not-for-profit, professional association for all Chaplains and Educators in the field of religious education.

MISSION

The AARE seeks to:

- promote Religious Education as an important part of the educational landscape.
- represent, support & promote the chaplain and religious educator and facilitate the co-operation & understanding among them.
- facilitate the ongoing development of religious education and related fields within schools, universities and other educational institutions.

Dear AARE Members (current and prospective)



I pray you and your loved ones are safe and well.

Every year presents its own challenges and joys. As we move into the fourth year of the global pandemic, the effects of the past and its ongoing impact are still being felt. Having said, that, we have adapted and grown. For many, we have had to become stronger, more resilient, creatively resourceful and better skilled. This has certainly been the case when ministering or teaching in the field of religious education.

The AARE seeks to serve for the greater good – please join us.

Please read and pass this Circular on to all your colleagues.

I washed my hands so much due to CODVID19, that my exam notes from 1995 resurfaced

Blessings & Joy



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WA and National President

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2022 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & GUEST SPEAKER

The **2022 Annual General Meeting** of the Australian Association for Religious Education (WA) was held on **Tuesday 21st June** online via Zoom.

We thank and congratulate the following members who have been elected to serve on the **2022/2023 AARE Committee**.



Helen Bunstead (Secretary)
Chris Callus (President)
Helen Leahy
Dr Natalie Leitao
Tim Pearce (Web Manager)
Susan Regnard (Vice President)
Mark Staer (Treasurer)
Brady Williams

Guest Speaker

We were delighted to have had as our guest speaker, Mr Graham McDonald. He has been involved in Children's Ministry for over 35 years, has trained Clergy and Sunday school teachers in seven Asian and Pacific Island countries and is founder of Did You Know Education Inc (www.didyouknow.org.au); a very interesting and relevant Australian resource base.



AARE DINNER & HONOURING COLLEAGUES



To celebrate the important work we do and the benefits we offer our students, school and the community at large, we invite your entire RE Team to gather in prayer and friendship over a meal; the universal sign of hospitality. The 2022 Dinner was held at Trinity College on Thursday 8th September. We were privileged to have the **Youth Mission Team** as our guest prayer presenters. The team led a thoughtful reflection with music, drama and prayer.

We seek to create an event in which we gather as a profession and celebrate all that we do in our work/ministry.

Please place the **2023 AARE Dinner** in your diary and encourage your whole team to join us.

DATE: Wednesday 6th September 2023 (Term 3: Week 8)

TIME: 6:00pm to 9:30pm (arrival from 5:30)

VENUE: Trinity College, Chapel then Staff Lounge



Details of how to register through *Trybooking* will be provided in Term 2.

At the dinner we also honour Chaplains and Religious Educators who are nominated to receive an Award of Meritorious Service. Nominations will be called for in Term 2.

We congratulate the 2022 AARE Award Winners and thank their nominators.

AWARD RECIPIENT	INSTITUTION	AREA	LEVEL
Kelsie Faas	YouthCARE	Christian / Religious Education	Primary
Peter Harris	YouthCARE	Christian / Religious Education	Primary
Raymond Kosovich	Trinity College	Religious Education	Secondary
Sr Chitra Justin	Servite College	Ministry	Secondary
Ellie & John MacPherson	Children's Ministry Network	Ministry	Composite
Rand McCoy	Prendiville Catholic College	Religious Education	Secondary
Merle Seitz	YouthCARE	Christian / Religious Education	Primary
Margaret Tavelli	Prendiville Catholic College	Religious Education	Secondary
Katrina Thomas	Corpus Christi College	Christian Service Learning	Secondary
Gerard Theseira	Trinity College	Religious Education	Secondary

WEBSITE

There is on-going work to make www.aare.org.au the one-stop shop for information, communication and resources with anything related to chaplaincy and religious education.

We seek to partner with resource and service providers to facilitate and promote what they offer. Members are encouraged to contact us to promote, showcase and share their work. To this end, members who wish to form an editorial group to provide articles etc for our Web Manager are most welcome to contact the Association.

MEMBERSHIP

Renewal notices have been sent out. For those who have not yet taken up or renewed their membership for 2023, you are most welcome to do so and support your professional association. Member discounts apply to the Annual Dinner.



it's time to
**RENEW YOUR
MEMBERSHIP**

We now only accept membership subscriptions through the Association website:
<https://aare.org.au/registration/> Complete the membership details

Indicate whether you wish to register as an Individual or Organisation.

- Individual
 - *Standard*\$50
 - *Concessional (Student, Volunteer, SRE/CRE Teacher, Retired)*\$20
- *School/Institution* \$150
- *Library / Overseas* \$70

Identify the State (eg WA) with which you are affiliated. Fill in the other fields

You will then be contacted regarding payment details and login access

Please advise us should you have any difficulty with:

Membership: membershipwa@aare.org.au

Finances: treasurerwa@aare.org.au

2023 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This year's Annual General Meeting will take place on Tuesday 16th May at Servite College.

Our guest presenters will be the **Youth Mission Team**.

For catering purposes, registrations will be through *Trybooking* (Log on details tba)

- Gathering and afternoon tea from 4:15pm
- Meeting 5:00 – 5:45pm
- Guest Presenters 5:45 – 6:15pm

PROMOTIONS

Christian Service-Learning Network Workshops

To be placed on the contact list or to join the CSLN Team, please contact John Richards: John.Richards@aquinas.wa.edu.au



Passing the Baton

CREW Ministries Inc. presents

Passing the Baton 2023

Reach Out to the Future!



A training day & expo for people involved in ministry to children.
The day includes keynote addresses, a range of elective sessions, and a large expo with heaps of new ideas and high-quality resources for kids ministry.

When: Saturday 11 February 2023
9:00 am–4:00 pm

Where: Riverton Baptist Community Church
38 Modillion Ave N, Shelley WA

More info and registration: www.passingthebaton.org.au

Kristallnacht Commemoration
 (“Night of Broken Glass”)

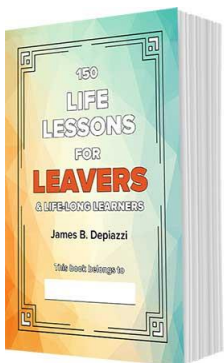
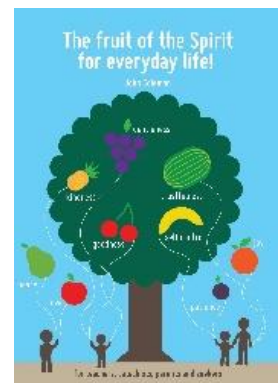


While details for this year’s commemoration have yet to be announced, Kristallnacht (the Night of Broken Glass) was a campaign against Jews carried out by the Nazi paramilitary forces along with civilians throughout Nazi Germany on **9–10 November 1938**. It is commemorated in Perth at around this time each year.

The name Kristallnacht comes from the shards of broken glass that littered the streets after the windows of Jewish-owned stores, buildings and synagogues were smashed.

Resources

The fruit of the Spirit for everyday life! By John Coleman
 ... for teachers, catechists, parents and seekers which offers a realistic values-approach to living that can be easily adopted as a whole-school approach, within a church community, for families
 Order through: [The fruit of the Spirit - Spectrum Publications](#)



150 Life Lessons for Leavers by James B. Depiazzi.
 ... a collection of life lessons, questions and quotes to accompany students on the journey through their last year at school and throughout the years ahead.
 Through on-line book sellers.

For bulk order school discounts contact James at depiazzi.james@gmail.com.

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