



Professional Society of Religious Educators

NEWSLETTER 2012

SUBSCRIPTIONS

It is time to renew your membership. Note that the subscription rate is unchanged for 2012 but that a 20% discount is offered

- To those members who sign up an additional member, or
- If there is more than one member in the school, parish or other organisation.

Paid-up subscriptions will receive a membership card together with the first 2012 issue of The Well and Reetsanang – due in February.

FACEBOOK GROUP

Members are invited to join the Professional Society Facebook group. As a member of this group you will be kept up to date with developments on a regular basis. You will find the group at www.facebook.com/groups/psred/. If this link does not take you there, paste it into your browser.

If you would like to be part of the group, sign up on Facebook, send me an email request and I shall add your name to the group. Whenever anything is added to the group page you will be notified by email.

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATORS

Religious education is an essential key learning area in all South African Catholic schools and given its significance to and for the Catholic school's identity, mission and curriculum, the idea of specific teaching

standards for this area needs some attention.

Members are therefore invited to complete and return the questionnaire that you will find with this newsletter. You will also find a short description of the research project. These can also be found on the CIE website. Go to Areas of Focus/ Religious Education/ Professional Society.

EVENTS IN 2012

MEETING MARY MCLURE

If you're in Johannesburg or Pretoria, note the dates 23, 24 April 2012. The Professional Society will host the co-author of Weaving the Web, Mary McLure. In its day (1988) this was a groundbreaking and controversial programme in that it opened Catholic school Religious Education up to an interaction with all world religions.

Further details as to time, place and topic will be posted in due course.

REGIONAL MEETINGS

You will receive an invitation to a regional meeting of the society once there are a few members in your area and a suitable time and venue have been arranged through your local office.

Durban, Johannesburg, Kimberley and Pretoria seem likely venues for such meetings this year, though other areas will be considered as the membership grows.

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