

THE ALPHA BETA

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from the A&B Education Service



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DIRECTOR'S LETTER

Dear Colleagues,

I hope you had a restorative summer holiday, filled with the joy of time spent relaxing and taking life at a different pace. We start the new academic year by welcoming staff and students into our school communities. May all that we achieve this coming year be offered in thanksgiving to God, our Father, and in service of the mission of the Church.

BISHOP-ELECT STEPHEN

Fr Stephen Wang will be installed as the sixth Bishop of Arundel & Brighton on **Monday 19 October at 12 noon**. The Mass of Episcopal Ordination, which takes place on the Feast of St Philip Howard, will include invited representatives from across our community of faith and will be livestreamed from Arundel Cathedral.

His Holiness Pope Leo XIV appointed Fr Stephen as the Bishop of Arundel & Brighton on Thursday 2 July. Speaking after the announcement, Fr Stephen said:

"I feel a mixture of gratitude and trepidation; an excitement and curiosity about all that lies ahead; and above all, a sense of peace. I'm grateful to Pope Leo for calling me and putting his trust in me, and to Archbishop Moth for all his care for the Diocese over these years... I am overjoyed at the thought of coming to Arundel & Brighton, getting to know the people, and working together to build God's Kingdom."

Bishop Stephen will celebrate a special **Mass of Welcome** for people across our Diocese at Worth Abbey near Crawley on **Saturday 24 October at 11.30am**. Further details will be shared with schools in due course.

[Message for Schools from Bishop-elect Stephen Wang](#)



PRAYER FOR OUR BISHOP-ELECT

O God, eternal and loving Shepherd, we bless and thank you for the appointment of your servant, Stephen, to our Diocese of Arundel and Brighton.

May your Holy Spirit grace him with a spirit of counsel and fortitude, a spirit of knowledge and piety, so that he may gently and courageously sanctify, teach and govern the Church of Arundel and Brighton as we work together to build up the kingdom of heaven.

May he be a shepherd after your own heart, who, with compassion and wise discernment, will care for and lead your people with the joy of the Gospel.

Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

WELCOME

A warm welcome to all pupils, staff and governors who have joined our schools in the diocese. I hope you will be very happy and please know that you have the support of all in the diocesan community. We wish the following well as they take up post as Headteacher in their respective schools and we look forward to celebrating their Induction Masses with their families, colleagues, and parish communities.

Annabelle Spacagna, Holy Family, Addlestone
Lize Claassen, St Joseph's, Dorking
Matthew English, St Peter's, Shoreham
Hannah Hooper, St Mary's, Worthing
Lizzie Bolton, St Peter's, Guilford
Adam Brooks, St Andrew's, Leatherhead
Andrew Clarke, St Wilfrid's, Crawley

Sydney Bridges and **Kathryn Cole** move from the Head of School role to Headteacher at St Richard's, Chichester and St Mary's, Bognor respectively.

Welcome to the new Head at Worth, **Ben Pennington** and to **Henry Warner** at St George's College. **Amelie Morgan** has been appointed to the role of Executive Headmistress of Notre Dame Nursery, Prep and Senior School. **Rachel Owens** takes up post as CEO of the Effingham Schools Trust.

Carl Gendre takes up post as Acting Head of School at St Mary's, Portslade and **Alison Walsh** is Executive Head across St Augustine's and St Hugh of Lincoln

Zelia Munick, Sam Crome, Kate Crees, Tobias Melia, Sarah Clayton and Gemma Irvine take up posts on Xavier CET and Bosco CET Central Teams, and we wish them all well in their respective roles.

Our prayers are with these and all other staff taking up new posts this term and all who are new to our diocesan family of schools.

SUCCESS

There is much to celebrate at the start of the new term, with results from SATs, GCSE, BTECs, T Levels and A levels demonstrating once again the hard work of students and the outstanding commitment of staff. The Education Service is exceptionally proud of all the achievements, and we share in your joy at the outcomes secured by pupils and students. We say this every year, but it is said with sincerity, that whilst the headline data tells us about the academic standards in our schools, we know just how much work goes into ensuring every pupil and student is supported academically, pastorally and spiritually to achieve their potential. We acknowledge with gratitude all the support that you have put in to ensure that our young people achieve their potential.



It was wonderful to see such a great number of red shirt and purple shirt young helpers in **Lourdes** for the annual pilgrimage, along with many staff from our schools who have worked so hard in fund raising and championing this important event in the life of the diocese. Five members of the Education Service were also part of the pilgrimage, and we have had confirmation that the dates for next year (including travel) are **22-30 July 2027**.



EDUCATION SERVICE STAFF UPDATES

Billie Robson returns from maternity leave this month. We welcome **Emma Wynne-Jones**, who joins us as the third Choral Director as we continue to grow the number of schools engaged in the Schools Singing Programme. Billie, Emma and Claire will be involved in preparing a SSP choir for the Mass of Welcome for Bishop-Elect Stephen, and we look forward to seeing schools represented at this celebration and at the Ordination.

Emma Sharp will remain Adviser for Primary RE, Catholic Life and Mission alongside **Anna Flood** and expands her role to include Secondary RE, Catholic Life and Mission. **Dave Legrand** remains involved with the Education Service, delivering the Post Graduate Certificate in RE, in conjunction with St Mary's University.

Contact details for the Education Service can be found here: [Education Service](#)

CPD & KEY EVENTS

We have a comprehensive CPD programme for 2026-2027 and whilst we continue with our training offer for those teaching RE and delivery of the RED, for Prayer and Liturgy Coordinators, Chaplains, RSE Leads and for schools preparing for CSI, there are also a wide range of other professional development opportunities on offer.

Courses are available at [Catholic Leaders & CPD | Education Service](#); please do sign up early for any training courses you wish to attend this year.

One of the key dates to note is the **School Leaders' Overnight Conference which is being jointly led by the Education Service, Bosco CET and Xavier CET**.

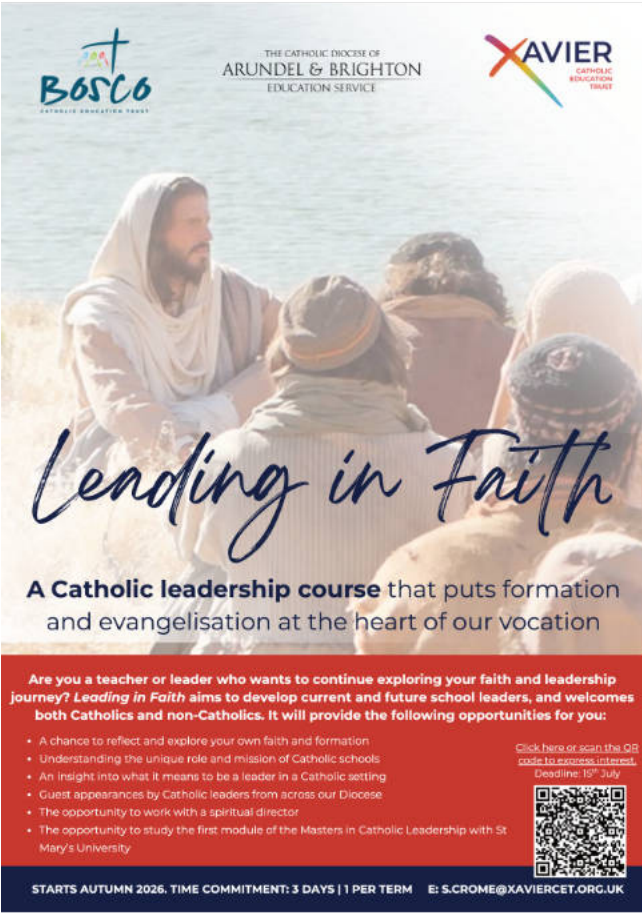
We will be joined by keynote speakers Sr Carino Hodder OP and Raymond Friel OBE, to unpack and understand the implication of *Magnifica Humanitas* for our work in Trusts and schools. This is such an important topic and a timely one for us to address in our biennial residential conference as we seek to frame our approach as Catholic schools to Artificial Intelligence through the lens of our commitment to Catholic Social Teaching principles. In addition, to our keynote presentations, we will have workshops and time for networking, and the conference will also include opportunities for prayer, the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the celebration of Mass.

Sign up is here [School Leaders Overnight Conference: Building for the common good \(12-Nov-2026\)](#). [ChurchSuite Events](#) and we look forward to seeing every school represented at this important event. Early sign-up would be appreciated.

Our annual **Secondary Pilgrimage** is on October 1, 2026, [Secondary Pilgrimage \(01-Oct-2026\)](#) · [ChurchSuite Events](#)

If anyone is interested in the **Postgraduate Certificate in RE** course, we are offering this for the second year and it is aimed at non-specialist secondary RE teachers, run in collaboration with St Mary's University. Please find out more by emailing E: dave.legrand@abdiocese.org.uk and sign up is here [Post Graduate Certificate in RE \(Session 1 of 7\) \(30-Sep-2026\)](#) · [ChurchSuite Events](#)

The **'Leading in Faith'** course will run again this year and please do email Sam Crome E: s.crome@xaviercet.org.uk for further details. The feedback from the year two cohort was positive and we do encourage you to make enquiries if you are interested in finding out more.



The poster for the 'Leading in Faith' course features a background image of Jesus Christ surrounded by his apostles. At the top left is the BOSCO logo, at the top center is 'THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ARUNDEL & BRIGHTON EDUCATION SERVICE', and at the top right is the XAVIER logo. The title 'Leading in Faith' is written in a large, elegant script. Below the title, it says 'A Catholic leadership course that puts formation and evangelisation at the heart of our vocation'. A red box at the bottom contains text about the course's purpose and a list of opportunities. A QR code is also present in the bottom right corner of the red box.

Are you a teacher or leader who wants to continue exploring your faith and leadership journey? *Leading in Faith* aims to develop current and future school leaders, and welcomes both Catholics and non-Catholics. It will provide the following opportunities for you:

- A chance to reflect and explore your own faith and formation
- Understanding the unique role and mission of Catholic schools
- An insight into what it means to be a leader in a Catholic setting
- Guest appearances by Catholic leaders from across our Diocese
- The opportunity to work with a spiritual director
- The opportunity to study the first module of the Masters in Catholic Leadership with St Mary's University

Click here or scan the QR code to express interest. Deadline: 19th July

STARTS AUTUMN 2026. TIME COMMITMENT: 3 DAYS | 1 PER TERM E: [S.CROME@XAVIERCET.ORG.UK](mailto:s.crome@xaviercet.org.uk)

The **Masters in Catholic Leadership** Module 1 is also on offer again, in collaboration with St Mary's University [Masters in Catholic Leadership, St Mary's University \(1 of 3\) \(09-Nov-2026\)](#) · [ChurchSuite Events](#)

Please note that the **Primary and Secondary RSE Conference** is taking place on September 25, to

support schools as they implement the changes to the curriculum and conduct their consultations.

[Primary and Secondary RSE Conference \(25-Sep-2026\)](#) · [ChurchSuite Events](#)

We are also offering an **information event about the new Admission model policies and procedures**.

For schools that did not adopt one of the new model policies last year it is expected that as a minimum the Headteacher, Admission Officer & Chair of Governors will attend this session. For schools who moved to the new model last year we would encourage at least one representative to attend in order to familiarise yourself with this year's admission policy process. Clergy are also welcome to attend.

[Admissions Meeting \(21-Sep-2026\)](#) · [ChurchSuite Events](#)

Please see the **full listing for the Autumn Term** at the end of this publication and online [Catholic Leaders & CPD | Education Service](#)

ABLAZE

Schools will also receive copies of the autumn term ABlaze newsletter which will have up to date information for RE Leads, Heads of RE, RSE Leads and Chaplains. Copies of both Alpha Beta and ABlaze publications are always available here: [Education News Hub | Education Service \(abdiocese.org.uk\)](#)

RESOURCES FOR EDUCATION SUNDAY, 13 SEPTEMBER 2026

Education Sunday takes place each year on the second Sunday of September, and this year is observed on the 13th. Established by the Bishops in 1848, it is one of the oldest Days of Special Prayer in the liturgical calendar of England and Wales.

The CES has produced some resources for schools to use ahead of this year's Education Sunday, and the Rt Rev Marcus Stock, Bishop of Leeds and Chair of the CES, has written a letter to all those within Catholic education to mark the occasion, which is available to [view or download here](#).

A guide to Education Sunday 2026 including the resources is [available to view or download here](#).

It is a wonderful opportunity for churches and parishes to celebrate Catholic schools and if there is any way your school can be involved in the weekend Masses, it would help to raise the profile of our schools in the wider community. It is also a good time to make a plea for Foundation Governors!

"Education does not measure its value only on the axis of efficiency: it measures it according to dignity, justice, the capacity to serve the common good." (4.2)

"The Catholic school is an environment in which faith, culture and life intertwine. It is not simply an institution, but rather a living environment in which the Christian vision permeates every discipline and every interaction." (5.2)

From the Encyclical Letter **Drawing New Maps Of Hope**, on the occasion of the 60th anniversary of the Conciliar Declaration Gravissimum Educationis, 2025:



As always, we are here to be of service to you and support you, so please do contact us if we can assist in any way.

With prayers and best wishes for the academic year ahead, from all in the Education Service.

A stylized, handwritten-style signature of Julie Oldroyd in black ink.

Julie Oldroyd

Director – Education Service



UPDATES

Diocesan Directives

We have been sharing updates regarding the Diocesan Directives for a while and have worked to ensure that there is as seamless as possible transition from the existing Bishops Mandate and Expectations to these binding Directives.

[AB Diocesan Directives 2026](#)

Independent Schools will have Directive 11 disappplied for one calendar year whilst further work is undertaken with the CES on employment contracts and policies.

Through training and with support, we will work with any school not yet fully aligned with the Directives in advance of your next CSI.

Please do contact **Maria Cowler**

E: maria.cowler@abdiocese.org.uk if you have any questions related to the Directives and CSI compliance.

The Directives will be promulgated on 16 September 2026 after which, the Catholic School Inspection cycle will resume.

2026 Diocesan Protocols for Maintained Schools & Academies

We are all called to be good stewards and to safeguard Catholic education for the future. The Diocesan Protocols [September 2026 Arundel and Brighton Diocesan Protocols.pdf](#) set out the principles which govern the committed working relationship which must exist between the Diocese and those responsible for running Catholic Schools.

Compliance with these Diocesan Protocols ensures the effective running of Catholic Schools on behalf of the diocesan Bishop for the benefit of pupils, parents, staff, and the wider parish community. Compliance with these Protocols also contribute to ensuring the future of Catholic education for future generations.

The 2026 Protocols have been sent to all schools and Trust Directors, Governors and school leaders are requested to read these, note any updates (highlighted in yellow for ease of reference), and ensure that this is recorded in governor minutes.

LITURGICAL RESOURCES

CAFOD have produced their liturgical year wall planner which can be downloaded [here >>>](#)

10 September 2026 is the Season of Creation national assembly for primary schools.

[Season of Creation CAFOD Assembly for KS1 and 2](#)

More information on the **Season of Creation** can be found [here >>>](#)

The Jesuit Institute share resources for education as well as good practice from around the world and curate a collection of tried and tested resources.

[Resources | Jesuit Institute](#)

Mark 10 Mission [The Mark 10 Mission](#) and **The Redeemed** [The Redeemed: Catholic Video Series](#) continue to produce excellent resources for schools.

The God who Speaks [The God Who Speaks](#)

Divine Designs: Between the Covers Art Competition & Exhibition.

Call for artists to submit artworks to design the front covers of any of the seventy-three books of the Bible. With seven cash prizes, a catalogue and exhibition in Lent 2027, join us to celebrate the Scriptures and bring the Bible to life.

Deadline is 21st September.



[More information here >>>](#)

THE YEAR OF SAINT FRANCIS

As part of the Year of St Francis, Franciscan Centre Ladywell is offering a small number of Pilgrimage Days for schools this September. There are still a few spaces for Year 7–Sixth Form on **Monday 14 and Tuesday 15 September**, and a special day for primary schools on **Wednesday 16 September**.

The days offer young people an opportunity to step away from the usual school routine and experience something of the Franciscan spirit through pilgrimage, journeying together, prayer, reflection and encounter with one another, creation, and God.

Please see the flyer below for more details or contact David Beresford directly if you would like to find out more or reserve a place.

E: davidberesford@franciscancentre.org.uk



Pause • Explore • Reflect • Journey together
A pilgrimage experience for young people
Groups of up to 10 young people • £50 voluntary donation per group



Secondary age:
Monday 14th September
Tuesday 15th September

Primary age:
Wednesday 16th September

The day includes

- + Pilgrimage activities and exploration
- + Time in the Tipi and grounds
- + Fun, games and discussion
- + Prayer and reflection
- + Time in the chapel and shared moments of stillness

For more information or to reserve places:
davidberesford@franciscancentre.org.uk
www.franciscancentre.org.uk



SOCIAL JUSTICE CALENDAR

1 September 2026

World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation and the beginning of the Season of Creation, which ends on 4 October (see Feast of St Francis of Assisi). The theme that Pope Leo XIV has chosen for 2026 is *"They shall beat their swords into ploughshares and their spears into pruning hooks"* (Is 2:4).

The Holy Father's message highlights the connection between armed conflict and environmental degradation.

The title — a passage in which Isaiah prophesies the transformation of weapons into agricultural tools — is an explicit invitation to prioritise development and sustainability over violence and destruction.

They shall beat their swords into ploughshares and their spears into pruning hooks. *Isaiah 2:4*

[World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation 2026](#)

5 September 2026

Feast of Saint Teresa of Calcutta (Mother Teresa), one of the patron saints of Caritas Internationalis. Born in Albania in 1910, Mother Teresa founded the religious order the Missionaries of Charity which serves the poorest of the poor all over the world.

14 September 2026

Anniversary of the publication in 1981 of *Laborem Exercens* by Pope John Paul II. Why not have a look at the end of Section 15 and the proposals that workers should have more ownership of their workplace.

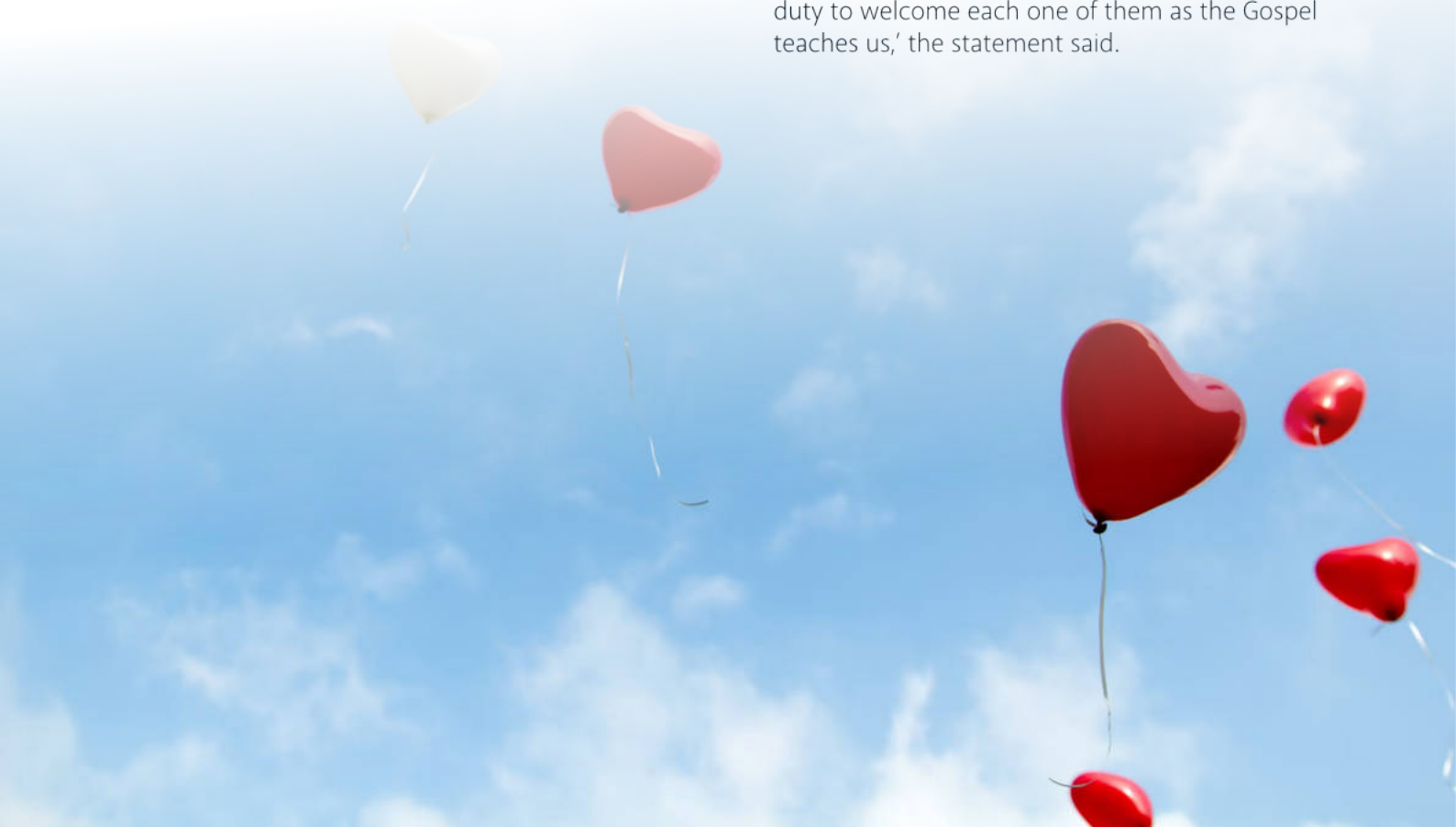
20 September 2026

Home Mission Sunday

Evangelii Gaudium Sunday (Third Sunday in September). Pope Francis called on the Church to embark on a fundamental change of direction when it comes to evangelisation, no longer relying on past structures and actions but to read the signs of the times and act passionately in proclaiming the unique message of the Gospel that brings joy to all people who receive it with an open heart.

27 September 2026

World Day of Migrants and Refugees. 'Even just one of these children' is the theme that Pope Leo XIV has chosen for the 112th WDMR, which will be marked on Sunday, 27 September 2026. The title is a reference to Matthew 18:5: 'Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me.' 'With this choice, the Holy Father intends to express the Church's concern for minors directly involved in migration, recalling the duty to welcome each one of them as the Gospel teaches us,' the statement said.



THE GUARDIANS OF CREATION PROJECT:

Laudato Si Champions

Laudato Si' Champions is a workstream of the Guardians of Creation Project – an interdisciplinary research programme investigating paths to sustainable and ecologically sensitive change in the Catholic Church.

[Laudato Si' Champions | St Mary's University | St Mary's University, London](#)

A useful resource has been developed to share with schools – a **free six-session toolkit** introducing young people to *Laudato Si'* and Catholic teaching on ecology. The resources include everything needed to run the sessions – presentations, student workbooks, worksheets and teacher guidance – and there is no cost to access any of the materials.

The resources have been designed to align with the Religious Education Directory learning outcomes and can be used in the classroom or adapted for assemblies, retreats, prayer groups and other school activities. *Laudato Si'* Champions project is also referenced in the Catholic Schools Inspectorate Inspection Handbook as an example of schools' commitment to the environment and care for our common home.

The full toolkit is freely available here:
www.stmarys.ac.uk/lsc

The project has had a strong positive impact on participating young people:

- 98% said they had a firm understanding of Catholic teaching on ecology.
- Confidence in understanding climate change increased from 42% to 80%.
- Students' sense of personal responsibility to care for creation increased from 44% to 76%.

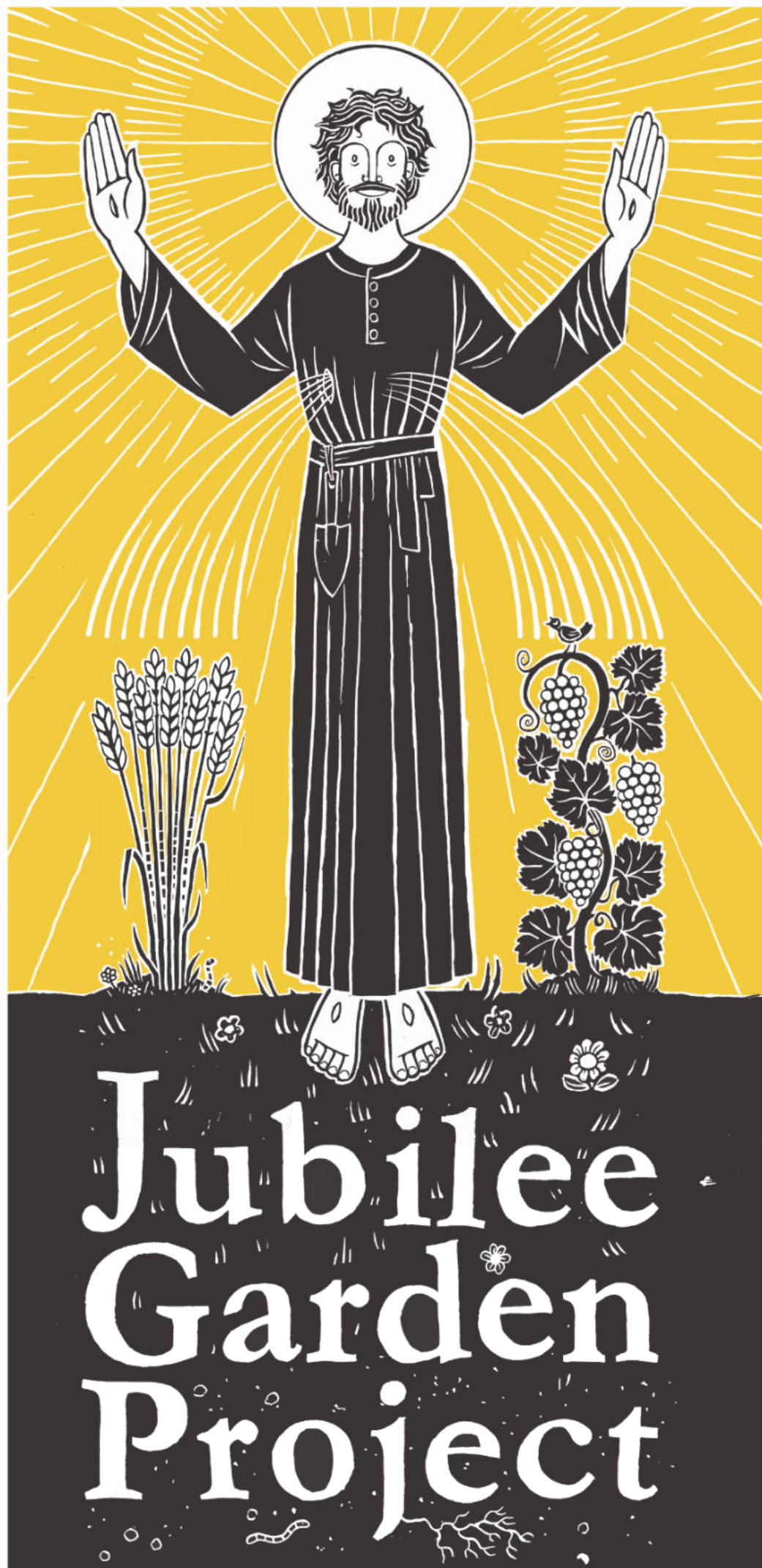
One student reflected:

"I always thought because there's billions of people on earth, it's not really my problem, I'm only one person... I didn't really realise how much of a difference I would make."

Another simply said:

"The project gave me a lot of hope."





www.jubileegarden.org/events

Register for the launch webinar and for further information using the QR or web address above.

A new project Launching on September 1st

The 'Jubilee Garden Project' is an invitation to use physical space to heal, transform and renew. The project has three patrons to help us to engage in the rebuilding of our relationship with God, with neighbours and with the earth; Mary, Martha and Lazarus from John 11-12. These three siblings from the town of Bethany were among Jesus' closest friends and will represent the three theological virtues of Faith, Hope and Charity. To be a 'Jubilee Garden', each patron and their virtue must be enacted in the garden as a way of rebuilding communion with God, with our neighbour, and with the earth. In so doing, we also rebuild trust in ourselves. The care of the garden becomes a physical work, representational of the care needed for our community, whilst also inspiring our own faith journey.



The Jubilee Garden Project is coordinated by The Ecological Conversion Group, Registered Charity No: 1197384 in England and Wales. It is in partnership with 'The God Who Speaks', of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales

World Porridge Day

10 October



Please put a date in your diary for your school to celebrate **World Porridge Day** and raise funds for global school feeding charity, **Mary's Meals**!

Mary's Meals – named in honour of Mary, mother of Jesus – provides one good meal every school day for hungry children in 16 of the world's poorest countries. The promise of these meals attracts children to the classroom, where they can gain an education and grow up well-nourished and well-educated to become the men and women who will lift their communities out of poverty.

What is World Porridge Day?

In Malawi, Zambia and Zimbabwe, Mary's Meals serves children steaming mugs of vitamin-enriched porridge, helping them to learn and grow. That's why we celebrate World Porridge Day on 10 October every year – we know that porridge has the power to change lives.

Celebrate World Porridge Day and raise funds to feed hungry children with Mary's Meals!



Why celebrate World Porridge Day?

Celebrating World Porridge Day allows you to support Mary's Meals with fun activities you can do with your school or youth group. It costs just 10p a day to feed a child with Mary's Meals so any amount raised will have a life-changing impact for millions of hungry children around the world.

If you want to get involved in World Porridge Day, download our Porridge Party Pack, full of useful information, fundraising tips and some totally 'oaty' recipe ideas.



Download the **Mary's Meals Porridge Party Pack** or visit marysmeals.org.uk/porridge-day

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a simple solution
to world hunger

Secondary School Retreats & 90 Minute Sessions

Immersive & interactive retreat days & shorter session options for whole year groups, delivered at your school/college to support your Catholic Ethos

COMING SOON
A 90-Minute Session on Catholic Social Teaching!
Launching 2026/27

What can you expect from RISE Theatre

- Original RISE Theatre film or live theatre performance
- An immersive theatre experience
- Group discussions
- Short sketches
- Art Activities
- Prayer & Reflection
- Testimonies



Book now for 2026/27!

Discounts available for schools booking multiple Rise Theatre Retreat Days in an academic year!

Visit: www.risetheatre.co.uk/secondary or Email: admin@risetheatre.co.uk

The Happiness Show Years 7-9

Based around a live theatre performance of a quirky fictional TV show - 'The Happiness Show' - this fun & energetic day explores how each of us is invited by God to experience life to the full, with a thought-provoking mix of short sketches, videos, interactive classroom sessions & reflection.



"[The day was] pitched just right for the year groups -

...the Year 7's were having the best time, dancing along to the music and generally participating with enormous enthusiasm"

Holy Family School, Walthamstow

The Room Years 9-11

Based around a dramatic RISE film - 'The Room' - students follow the story of the central character, Daniel, as he navigates his way through a captivating game show & explores The Bible's salvation story through 6 unique rooms. In this interactive retreat day, students are invited to reflect on their own life story.



"RISE Theatre's visit to Bishop Challoner School was an unforgettable experience. Their RE retreats were engaging, thought-provoking, and spiritually uplifting. Through powerful drama, and personal testimony, they inspired students to reflect deeply on their faith and relationship with God. The team's energy, creativity, and authenticity truly connected with everyone. It was an amazing opportunity for spiritual growth and community building."

Bishop Challoner, Bromley

The Masterpiece Years 11-13



Students are taken on an immersive journey based on the RISE film - 'The Masterpiece' - an intriguing story of three strangers brought together by a mysterious commissioner. Each student is given the opportunity to creatively explore themes around their God-given identity as a unique masterpiece.

"Not only was 'The Masterpiece' entertaining and engaging, it was powerful, thought-provoking and moving.

Students were given time to reflect, discuss, get creative and think more about their passions, future, self-worth and identity"

St Francis Xavier, North Yorkshire



90 Minute Sessions

Perfect for mission weeks or school events!



All of our retreat days can be delivered as 90-minute interactive sessions, making it easy to **accommodate multiple year groups** within a single day.

We're happy to tailor the programme to your requirements, including offering shorter sessions if needed.

Cost & Booking

Full day retreats - £950+travel

90 minutes sessions - from £600+travel

Discounts available for schools booking multiple Rise Theatre Retreat Days in an academic year



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Head Teacher, St Andrew's Catholic Primary School, Streatham, London



OUR WORKSHOP THEMES

EASTER

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THE NATIVITY

A CHRISTMAS STORY: REFUGEE

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THE GOOD SAMARITAN

How does it work?

Our highly skilled team of professionals will visit your school to work with your pupils during a school day.

Our workshops fulfil necessary requirements of the PE and RE curriculums.

In a day, we can work with up to 4 or 5 classes, or we can work more intensively with 1 or 2 classes.

We can deliver single-day workshops, or we can stay for multiple days and co-create a unique performance with your pupils, to be performed for parents.

Watch us in action here:

https://youtu.be/SsXbD4U_rzs

To book or for a friendly chat about our work in schools, please call us on 07775 628 442
or email touring@springsdancecompany.org.uk
springsdancecompany.org.uk

PARABLE

INTERACTIVE PERFORMANCE

Interactive and exciting.
Boosting engagement
with R.E.

Answers the
question: Who is
Jesus and what
did he teach in his
parables?

PARABLE is an hour-long performance with integrated workshop using movement, theatre and audience participation, to bring three of Jesus' parables to life. Adventurous and imaginative, the project invites children to join in by overcoming creative challenges, accomplishing tasks, and influence the outcome of the performance.

PARABLE can be delivered up to three times in a school day.



"The dancers can really make
you feel like you're in the story."

"We learnt about the bible in a
fun way ... you all made it so
fun."

"Why can't we do that in all our
lessons? I loved it."

Pupils of St Martin's CE School, Folkestone.

Watch us in action:
[youtube.com/watch?v=SsXbD4U_rzs](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SsXbD4U_rzs)

SPRINGS
DANCE COMPANY



PARABLE is a great way to ensure depth in the Religious Education curriculum, in line with the new Ofsted criteria.

A day of **PARABLE** interactive shows costs £675 plus travel. Depending on location, accommodation may be required.

To book or for a friendly chat about our R.E. and Dance performances and workshops, call us on: 07775 628 442 or email: touring@springsdancecompany.org.uk
springsdancecompany.org.uk/productions/parable

SPRINGS DANCE COMPANY

(See previous two pages)

Springs Dance Company delivers creative RE workshops for primary schools, using movement and storytelling to help bring faith, scripture, and Catholic Social Teaching to life in an inclusive and engaging way.

In particular, their **Creation workshops** connect closely with this year's focus on **St Francis of Assisi** and the call to care for our common home. Through movement, reflection and discussion, pupils explore themes of stewardship, human dignity, gratitude, compassion, and responsibility for God's creation, encouraging them to live out Gospel values within their school and wider community.



+ A better world needs all of us

CAFOD are looking for school volunteers. They do such a marvellous job, inspiring our young people but there are currently only five active school volunteers across the Diocese, and they desperately need some more in these areas.

- Eastbourne/ St Leonard's/Bexhill/Hastings
- Chichester/Bognor Regis
- Thames Ditton/ Weybridge/Englefield Green/
- Woking
- Farnham/Godalming
- Horsham
- Brighton/Hove

If you know of anyone or are willing to find out more yourself, please contact Jenny Finlayson
E: jfinlayson@cafod.org.uk

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Overseas Development

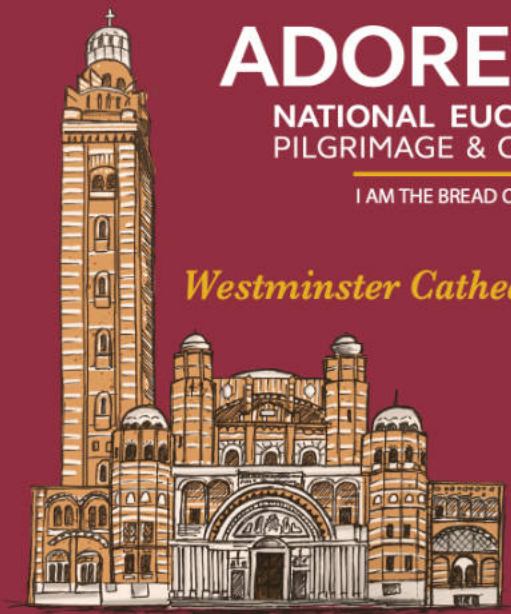


ADOREMUS

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC
PILGRIMAGE & CONGRESS

I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE

Westminster Cathedral



St George's Cathedral



For delegates from the Dioceses of England and Wales

St George's Cathedral Southwark

10.30 Presentations on Eucharistic Art and Life for those able to arrive early, with refreshments available and some information stands around the campus

12 noon The Adoremus Mass, Archbishop John Wilson
Followed by keynote address: Cardinal Timothy Radcliffe
OP 'The Eucharist: Our sacrament of hope in dark times'
Time for packed, picnic lunches

15.00 Eucharistic Procession to **Westminster Cathedral of the Most Precious Blood**, with the representative group of the Church

17.00 Solemn Benediction led by Bishop James Curry

For all there will be space to watch the start of the Procession at St George's, to follow on line, to watch the Procession as it passes (Stop and Pray) and to join the delegates for Benediction either in the Cathedral or the grounds of the Cathedral for which a live sound stream will be provided.

There will then be Mass at 18.00 open to all, followed by Holy Hours at 19.30, 20.30, and 21.30 led by the Youth Ministry teams of Westminster, Southwark and CYMFed.

These will be followed by an all-night Vigil from 12 midnight to 06.00.

All of these times can be booked at
www.westminstercathedral.org.uk/adoremus/
to secure places.

Further information will be posted at
www.cbcew.org.uk/adoremus-2026/

The 2026 National Eucharistic Congress

ADOREMUS

Saturday, 10 October 2026

Adoremus is the Bishops' invitation to renew our devotion to the Eucharistic Lord and has two aspects:

- A representative gathering of the Church in London with Bishops, priests, and people
- All parishes are encouraged to unite local events with the national gathering from which footage will be available to enable remote participation

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Westminster Cathedral

St George's Cathedral



We are delighted to launch a national Catholic schools **Art Competition** in the lead-up to Adoremus this October, organised by the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. A key feature of Adoremus will be the Blessed Sacrament prayerfully processed from Southwark Cathedral to Westminster Cathedral, so we invite young people to reflect creatively on themes such as **the Blessed Sacrament, the presence of Jesus, and the beauty of our cathedrals.**

Entries will be judged by a professional panel of art experts, with categories for ages **6–8, 9–12, 13–15, and 16–18.** A winner will be selected in each category, along with one overall winner. The winning entry will feature on prayer cards given to all the event.

Entries to be submitted by simply sending a photo of the artwork to artcompetition@christian.art

Deadline for entries: 15 September 2026

We are especially honoured that **Archbishop Richard Moth** has kindly agreed to host a reception for all the runners-up and winners on **Thursday 1 October at 2pm at Archbishop's House.**

We warmly encourage schools and pupils to take part... **to pray, to imagine, and to create!**

The Adoremus Art competition is offered in conjunction with Christian Art who have generously made it possible.

For any queries, please email info@christian.art



Christian Art

www.christian.art

What is Christian Art? We offer a unique approach to daily Gospel readings. Each day, we select a work of art relevant to the day's scripture passage and offer a short reflection on the two. Written by Patrick van der Vorst a Roman Catholic priest for the Diocese of Westminster, London and a former Director of Sotheby's London, Christian Art's mission is to draw people closer to God through the magnificent pairing of art and the Christian faith.

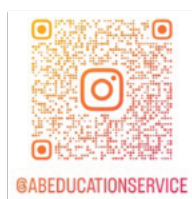
HEALTH AND SAFETY, SAFEGUARDING AND REGULATORY ADVICE

Images

In light of the growing concerns around the use of children's images on websites / social media, we are undertaking a review of all the photos which we use on our social media sites (Facebook / Instagram) and on our website. In the future, we will be moving to only using lower resolution / blurred shots / side and back of head shots and ones where a child cannot be linked to a school by the uniform.

[Image guidance for education settings - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

Please note that the Education Service is now on both Instagram and Facebook so please do add and follow us.



Important change to regulated activity and DBS checks for volunteers from 1 September 2026

From 1 September 2026, the [Crime and Policing Act 2026](#) removes the supervision exemption from the definition of regulated activity. Previously, a volunteer supervised by a member of staff in regulated activity fell outside that definition, regardless of how often they were present. From 1 September, that exemption no longer applies.

Volunteers who teach, train, instruct, care for, or supervise children on more than 3 days in any 30-day period, or take part in any overnight stay, are now in regulated activity. Schools must ensure these volunteers have an enhanced DBS check that includes children's barred list information.

EHRC Code of Practice

The Equality and Human Rights Commission's updated *Code of Practice for services, public functions and associations* has now come into force and can be accessed via the [following link >>>](#)

The Code does not create new law or impose new legal obligations but instead provides practical guidance on how the Equality Act 2010 applies to services, public functions, and associations. As statutory guidance, the Code must be taken into account by courts and tribunals, where relevant.

Service providers, those performing public functions and associations should carefully consider this guidance and the examples most relevant to them, and seek independent legal advice where necessary, particularly where the Equality Act intersects with other legislation.

If you have any questions relating to the above, please do contact E: julie.oldroyd@abdiocese.org.uk and we will seek advice from the CES.

Revised Mobile Phone Guidance 2026

The Department for Education published revised guidance on mobile phones in schools in January 2026. This guidance became statutory on 29 June 2026, and schools should begin following it from 1 September 2026.

[Mobile phones in schools - GOV.UK](#)

Cost of School Uniforms Guidance

The DfE has published its updated statutory guidance *Cost of school uniforms*, which can be accessed [here >>>](#)

The updated statutory guidance replaces the draft guidance that was published in October 2025, to reflect the legislative limit on the number of branded items of school uniform and PE kit that schools can require.

This limit comes into force on 1 September 2026 when schools must limit the number of compulsory branded items of uniform and PE kit to three or fewer (or in the case of secondary and middle schools, four items, if one of the items is a tie).

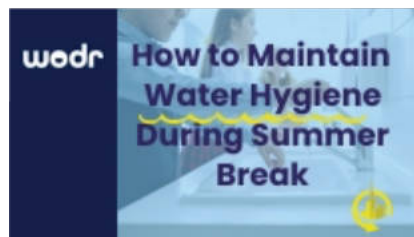
The guidance also includes new expectations for schools to ensure that no uniform item is of unnecessarily high cost, including schools having to consider the affordability of each item, and taking steps to minimise the cost of higher price items such as blazers and jumpers.

Schools should implement these new expectations as soon as possible, and by September 2027 at the latest.

The non-statutory guidance *Developing school uniform policy* has also been updated, and can be found via the [following link >>>](#)

CHURCHMARKETPLACE NEWS

With summer almost over, are you ready for a new school year? Our latest news is here to help you start the new academic year informed and ready to make impactful decisions for your school.

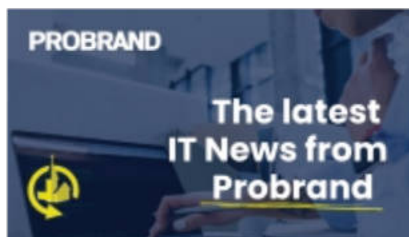


How to Maintain Water Hygiene During Summer

Six weeks of empty classrooms and low water usage during warm summer months can create serious water hygiene risks for your school.

Check out practical guidance from our commercial water specialist Wodr to keep your premises safe and compliant for autumn.

[Find out more here.](#)



Probrand Tech Digest: What You Need to Know

Making budgets go further is more important than ever. The latest IT Market Alert is packed with crucial updates from the world of IT. Take a look at key insights, IT market movements and supply chain trends to help you make informed decisions for your parish or school.

[See the full report here.](#)



Education Recruitment Experts You Can Rely On

Find the right people for your school with Hays Leadership & Eteach

Discover our recruitment specialists that understand the unique needs of Catholic schools & MATs today!

[Login here to start your next Recruitment Journey](#)



Professional Services Contract Reminder

Streamline your administration with CMP EB's Professional Services frameworks, offering tailored solutions for HR & Payroll, MIS/FMS and Accountancy and audit.

You can also optimise your Estate management by utilising our trusted Estate Management options from CMP Statlog and 1st Planner.

[Find out more here.](#)



Tender Management Support

Get the most out of your CMP membership and let us help you build an effective Procurement strategy by simply keeping us informed. Let us know about your contract end date, notice period, supplier details, and contract value.

Ensure you plan to review a contract before the notice period, so you do not miss a deadline and become a victim of an automatic rollover.

[See all services we offer here.](#)



Last Chance: Summer Stationery Restock

There is still time to place your orders for the big summer stationery restock ahead of new school year.

Access the CMP Education Buying Group Schools Supplies framework and either get quotes or direct award.

With three great suppliers - Banner, Lyreco and Paragon - now is a good time to place orders.

[Find out more about the School Supplies framework here.](#)



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Procurement for the Catholic Community

For contract professional services and school supplies, please log in to www.educationbuying.com/cmp.

For everything else, please go to www.churchmarketplace.org.uk.

Login to Churchmarketplace to see these Top Deals.



Zen Educate & Diocese of Arundel & Brighton

Supporting Schools Through Recruitment

As a continued partner of the Diocese of Arundel & Brighton, Zen Educate is proud to be supporting Catholic schools across Surrey and Sussex again this year.

With many schools now planning for both immediate cover needs and longer-term staffing for the new academic year, Zen can provide reliable, high-quality staff alongside a consistent and ethical service.

How Zen can support your school

- Short-term and day-to-day cover for teachers and support staff
- Long-term placements to ensure continuity for pupils and support for learners with additional needs
- Targeted support for hard-to-fill vacancies, including SENCO and specialist provision roles

We recognise that vacancies are often advertised across diocesan, trust and school-level websites and are happy to work alongside your existing processes to help increase reach and secure the right candidates.

A consistent and ethical approach

As a UK social enterprise, and a recently [Certified B Corporation](#), we are committed to high standards of social and environmental impact, meeting rigorous standards of accountability, transparency and fair treatment of staff. This includes:

- Transparent, fixed pricing
- Fair pay for staff, aligned with living wage principles
- Building long-term relationships with schools, not short-term placements

This reflects the values many Catholic schools are embedding, including dignity, fairness and community.

The GCA Framework

Zen Educate is pleased to announce that it is an approved GCA provider for both **BOSCO** and **Xavier Trusts**. This has many benefits including:

- **High Standards of worker background checking:** suppliers must vet workers in line with the DfE Keeping Children Safe in Education (KCSIE) standards
- **Capped fees:** supplier fees are capped at up to £45 per day for teachers and up to £38 per day for education support staff. Full details can be found in the user guide
- **Temporary to permanent transfers:** after 12 weeks, you can transfer a temporary worker to a permanent role at no extra cost (with 4 weeks' notice)
- **Transparency of costs:** you can see how much the worker is getting paid each day and how much the agency or supplier is taking

For more information, please see here - [GCA.gov.uk](https://www.gca.gov.uk) or please feel free to contact Tom Solomon (details below) to understand how this may affect or benefit you.

Additional support for partner schools

Alongside recruitment, schools can access:

- Online CPD training for staff (12-months free available), including safeguarding, SEND, behaviour and wellbeing
- A digital Single Central Record (SCR) system (12-months free available), helping reduce administrative burden and support compliance

Get in touch

If you would like support with current vacancies, please contact:

Tom Solomon -

E: tom.solomon@zeneducate.com

T: 01483 319669



School Business Managers

The School Business Managers' Forum is an invaluable way to share experiences and information for the benefit of all schools in the diocese. The next meeting is an online gathering on Wednesday 14 October, and I look forward to virtually seeing as many of you as possible on the day. This is your forum and as ever I encourage you to raise topics for discussion ahead of the event so that it is tailored to your needs.

Please book your place at the School Business Managers' Forum (1 of 3) on the 14 October using the [link here >>>](#)

Teacher Pay Award 2026

The Government has provided clarity on teacher pay for 2026 and 2027

- **Teachers will receive a 3.5% increase in September 2026**
- **Teachers will receive a 3% increase in September 2027**

It has also confirmed £1.8 billion of additional funding over two years to support teacher and support staff pay awards, **however** schools will still be expected to find the first 1% of each pay award from existing budgets. This will inevitably place further strain on your budgets.

Support Staff Pay

The 2026/27 support staff pay award remains unsettled. Employers have made a full and final offer of 3.3%, backdated to 1 April 2026, but all three recognised unions, UNISON, GMB and Unite, have rejected the proposal. Industrial action ballots are now being considered or launched.

Pension Contributions

Although employer contributions are reducing to the Teachers' Pension Scheme (TPS) funding is also reducing, there will be no windfall. There are reductions in the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) contributions from April 2026 which may have benefits for schools.

Education Estates Strategy

[Education Estates Strategy](#)

This DfE initiative is part of a shift from reactive maintenance to long-term estate planning. Responsible Bodies will need to demonstrate competence against the School Estate Management Standards

You will need:

- Reliable condition surveys – the Diocese is setting out a methodology in which these will be aligned with our CETs, Bosco and Xavier, to support their future planning.
- Clear lifecycle information.
- Standardised digital records of pupil and staff numbers, energy use etc.
- Evidence that is aligned with DfE expectations.

Refresh your estate strategy to include:

- Renewal and retrofit opportunities – £710m available.
- SEND inclusion bases – £3.7bn available.
- Early years expansion – Wrap Around Care opportunities.
- Surplus space management – utilising Net Capacity Assessments.
- Climate resilience and decarbonisation.

A new [Manage Your Education Estate](#) digital portal is being trialled which will, by Autumn 2027, use common data standards to allow the DfE team to monitor and assess the school estate and identify targets for funding.

This autumn all responsible bodies should be looking at the [School Estates Management Standards](#) and assessing their competency against the four levels: Baseline, Transitioning, Fully Effective or Advanced. All schools should be at least at Level 1 and progressing towards Level 3.

Obligations of Responsible Bodies

Construction projects carried out at school sites are under the control of the Governors or the Trust unless otherwise identified at the outset. As such, the Responsible body has health and safety and due diligence obligations. If you are unsure of your duties, then you must seek professional advice.

Occupation of School Premises

The Diocesan Education Service requires that every governing body and trust board review the Occupation of School Premises document (and the accompanying advisory notes) at the beginning of the academic year and record in the minutes that it has done so. This will enable the Education Service to audit that all governing bodies are aware of their obligations and the requirement to consult with the Education Service before any works are carried out on diocesan school property / land.

[School Business & Buildings | Education Service](#)

The advisory notes have been updated to clarify the position with respect to lease agreements for school premises and the payment of rent. Schools receive any rent paid but the lease itself is always in the name of the Diocese, which must always be consulted.

VASCA Bids

Bids for VASCA funded projects **must** be sent the diocese by Friday 23 October 2025, using the current VASCA spreadsheet (with the correct **bank account** and **contact details**) and the VASCA bid proforma (downloaded from the diocesan website [School Business & Buildings | Education Service](#)) and sent to:

E: SchoolBuildings@abdiocese.org.uk

Please note

- Written confirmation is required from the Head and Chair of Governors that the school can meet 10% of cost will be required for the bid to be considered (a scanned e-mail is adequate).
- The print area on the bid page is already set to print out only what is needed for that confirmation.
- For bids to be considered it is also a requirement that the Education service has a copy of a premises / conditions survey completed within the previous five years.

We need your bids by this deadline so that there is sufficient time to review them and to ask any questions before the panel meets. The more information that you provide about your project the better the chance that we will be able to allocate funding to it. Money is tighter than ever as the VASCA pot reduces. You may be asked to consider phasing your project or accepting part funding. Schools will be advised whether their bid has been successful by the end of 2026. If you need support in preparing your bid, please ask in good time.

Ray Williamson

Estates Officer

E: SchoolBuildings@abdiocese.org.uk



ADMISSIONS & APPEALS

All schools will need to update their Admission Policies this Autumn term for the 2028-29 cycle, please note that those who did not previously adopt a new model policy will now be expected to do so.

There will be an online session to communicate these updates on **Monday 21 September, 5-6pm.**
[Admissions Meeting \(21-Sep-2026\) · ChurchSuite Events](#)

It is advisable for all Admissions Officers, Headteachers (or SLT) and Chairs of Governors to attend this session.

We kindly request that schools / governing bodies do not review their admission arrangements for the academic year until this information session has taken place.

If you have any queries prior to this, or are a school adopting a new model and would like to schedule a 1-1 meeting, please contact:

Tamsin Connick

Education Officer Admissions & Place Planning
E: tamsin.connick@abdiocese.org.uk

CCP & Admissions

This notice should be shared with all headteachers and governors, CET personnel, admissions administrators in schools that use a Certificate of Catholic Practice (CCP), and all clergy who may be asked to sign forms for schools both within and outside our diocese.

Following consultation with the Archdiocese of Southwark, both dioceses have agreed that, for families living near the diocesan border and applying for school places in another diocese, clergy should not be required to sign multiple Certificates of Catholic Practice.

The Archdiocese of Southwark and the Diocese of Arundel and Brighton have agreed that a single CCP should be sufficient. The CCP issued by the diocese in which the child lives and/or worships should be accepted by the school to which the child is applying, even if that school is located in a different diocese.

Please note that Westminster Diocese are offering a training session on Admissions Appeal Training for Panel Members, and if you can signpost anyone who would benefit from this, sign up is here:
[Admissions Appeals Training for Panel Members \(09-Mar-2027\) · ChurchSuite Events](#)

NOTE TO CLERKS

Welcome back to the new academic year. As previously, there are online Clerk's Briefings throughout the year and sign up is open now on the CPD area of our [website](#). It is important for all Clerks of Catholic schools to attend these meetings. They are an opportunity to address key topics relating to a Catholic specific focus and the role of Clerk to Foundation Governors. They also provide a chance to network and share best practice with other diocesan school and academy clerks.

Briefings

The online clerk's briefings for next academic year are as follows:

Dates for the Academic year clerk's briefings:

- Monday 23 November 26, 10am – 11am
- Wednesday 24 February 27, 10am – 11am
- Tuesday 18 May 27, 10am – 11am

Please book online in the normal way.

[Catholic Leaders & CPD | Education Service](#)

Reminders:

Changes to Governors

All updates / changes to the governing body should be updated on GIAS and communicated to E: gill.sajnog@abdiocese.org.uk as soon as they are known. This includes all categories of governors, not just Foundation Governors.

If you have not already done so, please send in a list of all the current governors and their email contact, please also include any vacancies.

Code of Conduct

The Catholic Education Service Code of Conduct must be signed by all governors / directors annually in the first meeting of the academic year and this needs to be recorded in the minutes.

Minutes

Minutes of the Full Governor Board and Headteacher reports should be sent on a termly basis. This is particularly key for those schools who are in the CSI and OFSTED windows as officers prepare to speak to inspectors. The minutes are also important in helping us to track issues with estates and budgets. Thank you to all those who have already sent minutes for last term. Please urgently submit any outstanding minutes electronically to:

E: gill.sajnog@abdiocese.org.uk

Parish Priest

Clerks are asked to send copies of the agenda and minutes of meeting to the parish priest and Chairs are to ensure that even if they are not governors, clergy are invited to attend any meeting, particularly if it relates to Catholic Life and Mission.

Anspear

Please ensure that all governors are signed up to the Anspear App and have access to the on-line modules via your school specific code. As you are aware, all new Foundation Governors are asked to complete the "Code of Conduct – Governor" course as part of their application process. (This applies to returning Foundation Governors who have not previously completed this module). Many governor courses also include completion of one of the modules prior to the online input, so it is really important that all governors have access. Feedback from those who have completed modules is extremely positive. Gill can send you a copy of your school code if required and the help desk number for Anspear is 01223 350555.

As clerk you should be able to see any training undertaken by individuals from your board or committee.

If you do not have this access, please contact the help desk number for Anspear T: 01223 350555.

School Email

We ask that all governors are allocated and use a school email address. As a governor, the personal data you send over email must be kept secure. Use of a secure school email address helps you meet UK GDPR requirements. Please discuss this at the next Governor meeting if it is not general practice at your school.





UPCOMING COURSES AND EVENTS THIS ACADEMIC YEAR

All courses for this academic year are now available and must be booked online.

Courses are available at: www.abdiocese.org.uk/education/catholic-leaders-cpd

If you have any queries regarding any of these courses or tutorials, please do not hesitate to contact us:

E: claire.martin@abdiocese.org.uk

T: 01293 651144

Please send us your Good News and Education Stories

We are very keen to celebrate Catholic education and publicise the fantastic work of our teachers, support staff and pupils more widely.

We would love to highlight news from schools across the Diocese on our [website here](#) and through the diocesan X and Facebook pages, and through the DES Instagram page (QR Code provided opposite). Please do send details to E: schools@abdiocese.org.uk
We look forward to hearing from you.



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Autumn 2026

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Primary RE Leads Day 1 of 3	10 Sep	9:30am – 3pm	Roffey Park Institute, Horsham, West Sussex, RH12 4TB	Click here
Admissions Meeting	21 Sep	5pm – 6pm	Online	Click here
Primary and Secondary RSE Conference	25 Sep	9:30am – 3pm	Roffey Park Institute, Horsham, West Sussex, RH12 4TB	Click here
EYFS RE Directory Resources	6 Oct	9:30am – 3pm	Roffey Park Institute, Horsham, West Sussex, RH12 4TB	Click here
The Oscar Romero Award: Information & Training Session	15 Oct	3:30pm – 5pm	Online	Click here
Prayer and Liturgy Coordinators (Day 1 of 2)	5 Nov	9:30am – 3pm	The Franciscan Centre, Ladywell, Godalming, GU7 1ST	Click here
Masters in Catholic Leadership 1 of 3	9 Nov	4:30pm – 6:30pm	The St Philip Howard Centre, 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley, West Sussex, RH10 6RP	Click here
School Leaders Overnight Conference	12-13 Nov	11am Thurs – 2pm Fri	De Vere Horsley Estate, East Horsley, KT24 6DT	Click here
Year 6 RE Directory Resources	17 Nov	9:30am – 3pm	Roffey Park Institute, Horsham, West Sussex, RH12 4TB	Click here
ECT / New to Catholic schools in Arundel & Brighton	24 Nov	9:30am – 3pm	Roffey Park Institute, Horsham, West Sussex, RH12 4TB	Click here

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Secondary Heads of RE Day 1 of 3	16 Sep	9:30am - 3pm	The St Philip Howard Centre, 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley, West Sussex, RH10 6RP	Click here
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Primary and Secondary RSE Conference	25 Sep	9:30am - 3pm	Roffey Park Institute, Horsham, West Sussex, RH12 4TB	Click here
Post Graduate Certificate in RE - Session 1 of 7	30 Sep	9:30am - 3pm	The St Philip Howard Centre, 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley, West Sussex, RH10 6RP	Click here
Secondary Pilgrimage	1 Oct	9:45am - 2pm	Arundel Cathedral, London Road, Arundel, BN18 9AY	Click here
The Oscar Romero Award: Information & Training Session	15 Oct	3:30pm - 5pm	Online	Click here
Post Graduate Certificate in RE - Session 2 of 7	4 Nov	3:30pm - 5:30pm	Online	Click here
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GOVERNORS

Admissions Meeting	21 Sep	5pm - 6pm	Online	Click here
Governance: Induction (Module 1 of 3)	13 Oct	6:30pm - 7:30pm	Online	Click here
Chairs and Vice Chairs of Governors Annual Meeting	17 Nov	6:30pm - 8pm	Online	Click here
Clerks' Forum	23 Nov	10am - 11am	Online	Click here

CHAPLAINS

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Chaplains Induction	29 Sep	10am - 2pm	The St Philip Howard Centre, 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley, West Sussex, RH10 6RP	Click here
Chaplains Meeting Day 1 of 2	8 Oct	10am - 3pm	The St Philip Howard Centre, 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley, West Sussex, RH10 6RP	Click here
Prayer and Liturgy Coordinators' Day 1 of 2	5 Nov	9:30am - 3pm	The Franciscan Centre, Ladywell, Godalming, GU7 1ST	Click here

RAINBOWS

Rainbows Coordinators Training	10 Nov	9:30am - 3pm	St Wilfrid's Catholic School, Crawley, RH11 8PG	Click here
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SCHOOL BUSINESS MANAGERS

School Business Managers' Forum 1 of 3	14 Oct	10am - 12pm	Online	Click here
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CYMFED FAITH IN ACTION

Information and Training Session	29 Sep	3:30pm - 5pm	Online	Click here
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PRIMARY EDUCATION

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Primary RE Leads (Day 2)	12 Jan	9:30am - 3pm	Roffey Park Institute, Horsham, West Sussex, RH12 4TB	Click here
Prayer and Liturgy Coordinators (Day 2)	26 Feb	9:30am - 3pm	Roffey Park Institute, Horsham, West Sussex, RH12 4TB	Click here
Masters in Catholic Leadership (2 of 3)	1 Mar	4:30pm - 6:30pm	The St Philip Howard Centre, 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley, West Sussex, RH10 6RP	Click here
Year 5 RED Resources	16 Mar	9am - 3pm	Roffey Park Institute, Horsham, West Sussex, RH12 4TB	Click here

SECONDARY EDUCATION

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Admissions Appeals Training	9 Mar	6pm - 7pm	Online	Click here

GOVERNORS

Governance Induction: Module 2	9 Feb	6:30pm - 7:30pm	Online	Click here
Clerks' Forum	24 Feb	10am - 11am	Online	Click here
Admissions Appeals Training	9 Mar	6pm - 7pm	Online	Click here

CHAPLAINS

Name	Date	Time	Location	Book now
Surrey Chaplains' Meeting	20 Jan	10am - 1pm	Salesian School, Guildford Road, Chertsey, Surrey, KT16 9LU	Click here
Sussex Chaplains' Meeting	28 Jan	10am - 1pm	St Oscar Romero Catholic School, Goring Street, Worthing, West Sussex, BN12 5AF	Click here
Prayer and Liturgy Coordinators (Day 2)	26 Feb	9:30am - 3pm	Roffey Park Institute, Horsham, West Sussex, RH12 4TB	Click here

RAINBOWS

Rainbows Facilitators Training	26 Jan	10am - 2:30pm	St Wilfrid's Catholic School, Crawley, RH11 8PG	Click here
Resilience and Wellbeing	12 Mar	9am - 12pm	St George's Junior School, Thames Street, Weybridge, Surrey, KT13 8NL	Click here

SCHOOL BUSINESS MANAGERS

School Business Managers' Forum	10 Feb	10am - 12pm	Online	Click here
Admissions Appeals Training	9 Mar	6pm - 7pm	Online	Click here

PRIMARY EDUCATION

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Name	Date	Time	Location	Book now
Primary RE Leads (Day 3)	28 Apr	9:30am - 3pm	Roffey Park Institute, Horsham, West Sussex, RH12 4TB	Click here
Good Shepherd Celebration	17 Jun	11:30am - 2pm	Worth Abbey, Crawley, RH10 4SB	Click here
Masters in Catholic Leadership (3 of 3)	5 Jul	4:30pm - 6:30pm	The St Philip Howard Centre, 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley, West Sussex, RH10 6RP	Click here

SECONDARY EDUCATION

Name	Date	Time	Location	Book now
Post Graduate Certificate in RE - Session 6 of 7	26 May	3:30pm - 5:30pm	Online	Click here
Good Shepherd Celebration	17 Jun	11:30am - 2pm	Worth Abbey, Crawley, RH10 4SB	Click here
Secondary Heads of RE (Day 3 of 3)	30 Jun	9:30am - 3pm	The St Philip Howard Centre, 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley, West Sussex, RH10 6RP	Click here
Masters in Catholic Leadership (3 of 3)	5 Jul	4:30pm - 6:30pm	The St Philip Howard Centre, 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley, West Sussex, RH10 6RP	Click here
Post Graduate Certificate in RE - Session 7 of 7	7 Jul	3:30pm - 5:30pm	Online	Click here

CATHOLIC SCHOOL INSPECTIONS (CSI)

Name	Date	Time	Location	Book now
Preparing for CSI	8 Jun	9:30am - 3pm	Cottesmore Golf Club, Crawley, RH11 9AT	Click here

LEADERSHIP

Preparing for CSI	8 Jun	9:30am - 3pm	Cottesmore Golf Club, Crawley, RH11 9AT	Click here
Good Shepherd Celebration	17 Jun	11:30am - 2pm	Worth Abbey, Crawley, RH10 4SB	Click here
School Leaders' Mass of Thanksgiving	1 Jul	3:30pm - 6:30pm	Arundel Cathedral, London Road, Arundel, BN18 9AY	Click here

GOVERNORS

Governance Induction: Module 3	12 May	6:30pm - 8pm	Online	Click here
Clerks' Forum (3 of 3)	18 May	10am - 11am	Online	Click here
Preparing for CSI	8 Jun	9:30am - 3pm	Cottesmore Golf Club, Crawley, RH11 9AT	Click here
School Leaders' Mass of Thanksgiving	1 Jul	3:30pm - 6:30pm	Arundel Cathedral, London Road, Arundel, BN18 9AY	Click here

CHAPLAINS

Name	Date	Time	Location	Book now
Chaplains Retreat	24-25 May	12pm - 12pm	St Columba's House, Maybury Hill, Woking, GU22 8AB	Click here

RAINBOWS

Rainbows Facilitators and Coordinators - Sharing best practice	27 Apr	9:30am - 3pm	St Wilfrid's Catholic School, Crawley, RH11 8PG	Click here
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SCHOOL BUSINESS MANAGERS

School Business Managers' Forum (3 of 3)	16 Jun	10am - 12:30pm	The St Philip Howard Centre, 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley, West Sussex, RH10 6RP	Click here
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