

From the Diocesan Education Office for School Leaders, including those involved in Governance, Clergy and Clerks

June 2019 Newsletter – Summer Term 2


Dear Colleagues

Another school year is drawing to a close with the summer break beckoning. From memory I know how busy this end of the year rush can be with a number of important school events in the diary. Saying thank you and giving colleagues and pupils the opportunity to reflect on their achievements as they move on, some to new schools, into further or higher education, or to new jobs or retirement helps us too to focus on the big picture and its significance to our life's journey. I remain in awe at what CofE schools collectively provide for their pupils, students, staff, governors and their local community and parishes.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you for a successful end to this academic year and the opportunity for some well-deserved rest and relaxation over the summer.

God bless.

John Searson

<p>National Professional Qualification for Headship (NPQH) with the Church of England (CofEPQH): This programme takes a distinctively Christian approach to covering the NPQH, exploring the practical challenges of headship through ethical and value based lenses, as well as offering the opportunity to build a professional network that will support you over the coming years. This 2020/21 programme will start in February 2020 and end in April 2021. Applications are now open and will close on 4th November. Those working in Exeter Diocese schools/academies are eligible to apply for funding from the DFE that will cover your full course fees (£1650 + VAT).</p>	<p>Follow this link for further information www.cefel.org.uk/cofepqh</p> 
<p>Governance Information – please keep us you to date! Thanks to all clerks who have returned their forms letting us know who is serving as a Governor/Director in their school/academy. If your school/academy haven't yet returned this, please send to Angela.</p> <p>To ensure we can maintain up-to-date records, we are asking clerks to let us know of any changes. Your/their support will be appreciated.</p>	<p>Contact Angela education@exeter.anglican.org</p> <p>The forms to update us of any future changes can be accessed at https://exeter.anglican.org/schools/governors/</p>
<p>Training and CPD Autumn 2019: Please note that the training prospectus for Autumn 2019 is available. It includes training for school leaders, including those involved in governance, and for all school staff. Some training is free and some is chargeable. Opportunities include Admission Updates; New School Leaders Induction; Safer Recruitment; SIAMS framework; Understanding Christianity; LTLRE conference; Governor/Director Induction; and training for clerks.</p> <p>Summer Term 2019 training remaining before term ends</p> <p>03 July 19 Governor Induction 04 July 19 Admissions Code Introduction 08 July 19 Narnia Virtues – see below</p>	<p>Follow this link for the Training and CPD Prospectus 2019/2020 for Autumn Term information https://exeter.anglican.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/CPD-Prospectus-Autumn-Term-2019-v2.pdf</p> <p>Email Fran Bradley on educationevents@exeter.anglican.org for any training enquires</p>
<p>School Leaders Residential Conference: 11th / 12th March 2020 at St Mellion. Details will follow next term. Speakers currently include Andy Wolfe, Deputy Chief Education Officer (Leadership Development) for the Church of England; and Dr Tanya Ovenden-Hope, Professor of Education and strategic lead at Marjon University.</p>	<p>More about Andy Wolfe https://www.cefel.org.uk/people/</p> <p>More about Dr Tanya Ovenden-Hope https://www.marjon.ac.uk/about-marjon/staff-list-and-profiles/ovenden-hope-tanya.html</p>

<p>Free Narnia Resources: We have a number of printed sets of Narnia resources available to our schools at no cost. Should you wish to ensure your school gets a set, please email to reserve then by the 6th July. The Narnian Virtues project is referenced in the C of E Fruits of the Spirit report (p. 10)</p> <p>Narnia Virtues training - Mon 8th July 19, 09:15 – 12:15 : We are hosting free 'Narnia Virtues' training with Dr Mark Pike, PhD, (Professor of Education at the University of Leeds for Christian Character Education) here at the Old Deanery. This is suitable for teachers or teaching assistants who can report back.</p>	<p>Email education@exeter.anglican.org to reserve your copy</p> <p>For electronic versions of these resources, follow this link</p> <p>https://narnianvirtues.leeds.ac.uk/resources/lin/</p> <p>To book your place, please email educationevents@exeter.anglican.org</p>
<p>SIAMS Hubs – for school staff and for those involved in Governance Autumn term focus - Vision and Dignity: Regular and beneficial training and the sharing of good practice at venues across the diocese. Please do come along and join us at these free SIAMS hubs, running from 4pm and 6pm.</p>	<p>30 Sept Plympton St Mary's Infants, Plymouth 01 Oct St Johns, Totnes 02 Oct St Luke's Science and Sports College, Exeter 03 Oct Ashleigh Primary School, Barnstaple 07 Oct All Saints Thurlestone (annual event) 08 Oct Holsworthy Primary School (annual event)</p>
<p>Senior Leadership Briefings – for school leaders, including those involved in Governance - Tuesdays, 4pm – 5:30pm: These termly locally held meetings offer an opportunity to meet together to hear about updates, opportunities and issues relevant to our church schools. We encourage all schools to join us and are a good way that we can demonstrate being part of a Church School family.</p>	<p>1st Oct St Matthew's CE Primary, Plymouth 8th Oct Trinity CE Primary School, Exeter 15th Oct Jubilee Hall, Swimbridge 29th Oct St Paul's, Devon Square, Newton Abbot, TQ12 2HN</p>
<p>We care about you! We want to be connected with you! We are appreciative of your hard work and dedication: As a diocese we care about you and your school(s). We have 133 schools: some are stand-alone schools/academies, some are in federations and some are in Multi-Academy Trusts. Whilst it is not always possible to visit you each separately there are many opportunities to come together. We are currently planning a 'Day of refreshment and thanks-giving' for 23rd June 2020. This is primarily for those who work hard in and for our schools. Each school will be able to select those they wish to come along – this could include people in a range of roles, for example, MTAs, cleaners, caretakers, office based staff, TAs, teachers, Heads, governors, directors, PTFA committee members or regular volunteers. Early plans include the involvement of Bishop Robert, a cathedral service, and appropriate hospitality to say a special thank you for all that you do.</p>	<p>To see our range of core/free (and subscription) services) please follow https://exeter.anglican.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/2019-2020-SLA-SEPT-v.2.pdf</p> <p>Save the date – 23rd June 2020 – for a 'Day of refreshment and thanks-giving'</p>  
<p>Subscription to our Service Level Agreement. This entitles you, amongst other things, to time to use as you feel is most suitable for your school – we can provide bespoke in-school training for staff and/or governors. If subscribing, please complete a planner to indicate your requirements and indicate date preferences. Many thanks.</p>	<p>View our core and subscription services https://exeter.anglican.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/2019-2020-SLA-SEPT-v.2.pdf</p> <p>School Support Planner 2019-20 https://exeter.anglican.org/schools/school-academy-services/</p>
<p>For your newsletter? Exeter Cathedral organises activities for children and families during school holidays. Follow the link to see what's on.</p>	<p>https://www.exeter-cathedral.org.uk/news-events/what-is-on/category/children-families/</p>