

Training and Events Programme 2025–2026



Key: Training/support for all school leaders, including governors; Training/support for school staff; Training/support for governors; Networks for school leaders; Externally provided support

Date	Time	Event	Content	Audience	Leader/s	Venue	Code	Cost	Booking Link
Autumn Term 2025: Wednesday 3 rd September – Friday 19 th December (73 school days)									
September									
	INSET DAY								
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	TERM STARTS								
Tuesday 9 th September	4.00 – 5.30pm	SIAMS training	Preparing for a SIAMS Inspection	School leaders expecting an inspection 2025-2026 (or planning ahead!) including governors	Charlotte Tudway	Online	SIAMS	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/EZVX
Monday 15 th September	6.00– 7.30pm	Governor Induction	Introduction to church school governance	New or recently appointed governors	Lisa Pettifer	Online	Governor Induction	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/EZVY
Monday 15 th September	4.00– 5.00pm	Termly Distinctiveness Network	RE, CW and more: an opportunity to keep up to date with local and national updates and best practice, share ideas and resources. Focus: pupil voice led by CDEC	Headteachers, RE Subject Collective Worship, Ethos or SIAMS Leaders	Laura Watson	Online	Effective Church Schools	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £250 per year	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/EZVZ
Tuesday 16 th September	9.30am – 3.00pm	Headteacher Induction Session 1 of 4	Session 1 of 4: Welcome, introductions & 5 things I wish someone had told me! What to do when! An overview of the academic year and how you hold onto what really matters in the busyness of school life	New or recently appointed Headteachers or Acting Headteacher	Diocesan Team; PHA; Learning Improvement Service	Penrith Rugby Club	Headteacher Induction	External	Book via PHA/LIS
Monday 22 nd September	5.00– 6.30pm	Governor Training	Successful Headteacher Appraisal	Governors	Charlotte Tudway	Online	Governor Support	Enhanced Free: PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/EZVY
Tuesday 23 rd September	5:00– 6:30pm	Governor Training	Preparing for SIAMS for governors	Governors	Charlotte Tudway/ Laura Watson	Online	Governor Support	Enhanced Free: PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FBYI
October									
Thursday 2 nd October	4.00– 5.00pm	Half termly SIAMS Briefing	Inspection Question 1: theologically rooted Christian Vision	Headteachers, school staff	Charlotte Tudway	Online	SIAMS	Enhanced: Free	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/EZWD

			Plus any updates from the national team, pattern spotting, feedback on reports under current Framework					PAYG: £75	
Monday 6th October Moved to Tuesday 14 th October	6.00 – 7.30pm	Admissions	Admissions in a VA school	Governors	Lisa Pettifer	Online	Governor roles and responsibilities	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/EZWG
Wednesday 8 th October	4.00– 5.30pm	RE Support	Making the most of your RE curriculum – a focus on planning for progression and balance and unpacking the Locally Agreed Syllabus	RE leaders and teachers	Laura Watson	Online	RE	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/EZWH
17 th October	9:00– 9:00pm	Anti Racist Cumbria Summit	The ARC Summit is BACK! And 2025's summit is going to be bigger, better, and have even more variety than ever before as we celebrate our 5th Anniversary as Anti Racist Cumbria!	All are welcome	ARC	Theatre by the Lake, Keswick	Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Justice	Varying ticket prices please see ARC website	https://www.tickettailor.com/events/antiracistcumbria/1435188
22 nd October	9:00– 3:30pm	RE and Collective Worship Conference	We welcome keynote RE speakers: Imran Kotwal – Islam Anna Silver – Judaism Jane Yates – Humanism Plus, other leaders in worship, to share best practice and resources throughout this inspirational day	Anyone involved in leading RE & Collective Worship in schools	DBE Team	Roundthorn, Penrith	RE and Collective Worship	Enhanced: £55 PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FAWY
Monday 13 th October	4.00 – 5.30pm	Collective worship training	The three 'I's: Invitational; inclusive and inspiring	Anyone involved in leading collective worship in schools	Charlotte Tudway	Online	Collective Worship	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/EZWK
Week beginning 13 th October	TBC	Leadership Training	OFSTED briefing by senior HMI	School Leaders including governors	Senior HMI	TBC	Headteacher Support	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	Details to follow
Tuesday 14 th October	4.00– 5.30pm	Leadership Training	An introduction to Spiritual Development and how to plan for it across the curriculum	School Leaders including governors	Ruth Houston	Online	Spiritual Development	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/EZWL
Half Term: Monday 27th – Friday 31st October									
November									
Monday 3 rd November	1.30 – 3.00pm	School Leaders Peer Support Network Afternoon	Flourishing Leaders	School Leaders	Ruth Houston	Online	Headteacher Support	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £250 per year	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FACC
Monday 3 rd November	4.00 – 5.30pm	Understanding the Bible	Whatever your view, the Bible cannot be ignored. An introduction to handling the Bible with confidence in the life and work of a Church school.	School Leaders; teachers, governors	Peter Barfoot	Online	RE & Collective Worship	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FACD
Tuesday 4 th November	8am– 10am	Heads and Clergy Breakfast	Join us for breakfast, mutual support and encouragement from others in your role in our diocese.	Headteachers and Clergy	Ruth Houston	Venue TBC	Headteacher Support	£15 per ticket	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FAWO

Wednesday 5 th November	4.00 – 5.30pm	Leadership Training	Created in the image of God: Justice and Responsibility	School Leaders; teachers, governors	Laura Watson & Ruth Houston	Online	Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Justice	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FACF
Monday 10 th November	6.30– 8.00pm	Governors Peer Support Network	To include SIAMS for Governors and other updates	Governors	Ruth Houston + Lisa Pettifer	Online	Governor Support	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FACG
Tuesday 11 th November	4.00– 5.30pm	Leadership Training	Monitoring the impact of Collective Worship	Any school leader responsible for monitoring CW (staff or governors)	Charlotte Tudway	Online	Collective Worship	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FACI
Monday 17 th November	4.00– 5.30pm	Leadership Training	Spiritual Development: Digging deeper including how to evidence impact	Those who have already completed Introduction to Spiritual Development	Ruth Houston	Online	Spiritual Development	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FACL
December									
Monday 1 st December	4.00– 5.30pm	Effective RE	Legal requirements for VC & VA schools, Ofsted & SIAMS expectations, ensuring a balanced curriculum and monitoring progress	New Headteachers or RE Leads in Church Schools	Laura Watson	Online	Effective Church Schools	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £250 per year	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FACM
Monday 1 st December	6.00– 7.30pm	Governor Development	Monitoring and evaluating as a church school governor	New or recently appointed governors	Lisa Pettifer	Online	Governor Induction	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FACN
Tuesday 9 th December	4.00– 5.00pm	Half termly SIAMS Briefing	Inspection Question 2: curriculum Plus any updates from the national team, pattern spotting, feedback on reports under new Framework	Headteachers, school staff	Charlotte Tudway	Online	SIAMS	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FACQ
	TERM ENDS								
Spring Term 2026: Wednesday 7 th January – Friday 27 th March (53 school days)									
January									
	INSET								
	TERM STARTS								
Thursday 8 th January	4.00– 5.30pm	RE Support	Making the most of your RE curriculum – a focus on assessment and getting the most out of the Understanding Christianity resource	RE leaders and teachers	Laura Watson	Online	RE	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FACQ
Monday 12 th January	4.00 – 5.30pm	Leadership Training	An introduction to Spiritual Development and how to plan for it across the curriculum	School Leaders including governors	Ruth Houston	Online	Spiritual Development	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FACR

Tuesday 13 th January	4.00– 5.00pm	Half termly SIAMS Briefing	Inspection Question 3: collective worship Plus any updates from the national team, pattern spotting, feedback on reports under new Framework	Headteachers, school staff	Charlotte Tudway	Online	SIAMS	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £50	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FACS
Wednesday 21 st January	9.30am – 3.00pm	Headteacher Induction Session 2 of 4	Session 2 of 4: school finance, managing the budget, priorities. Working with your governing body and what it looks like when it's working well	New or recently appointed Headteachers or Acting Headteacher	Diocesan Team; PHA; CCC Learning Improvement Service	Penrith Rugby Club	Headteacher Induction	External	Book via PHA/LIS
Thursday 22 nd January		National Society for Education Conference	Annual gathering of church school leaders across the country at St John's Hackney (birthplace of Church of England Education 1811 where our founder, Joshua Watson was based)	School leaders including governors	National team	St John's Hackney	School leader inspiration and development	TBC	Book via national Church of England.
Monday 19 th January	4.00 – 5.30pm	Understanding the Bible	Whatever your view, the Bible cannot be ignored. An introduction to handling the Bible with confidence in the life and work of a Church school.	School leaders, teachers and governors	Peter Barfoot	online	RE & collective worship	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FACU
Tuesday 20 th January	1.30– 3.00pm	School Leaders Peer Support Network	Flourishing Leaders	School Leaders	Ruth Houston	online	Headteacher Support	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £250 per year	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FACX
February									
Monday 2 nd February	4.00– 5.00pm	Termly Distinctiveness Network	An opportunity to keep up to date with local and national updates and best practice, share ideas and resources. Focus: the importance of music in connecting communities with Pam Lawson	Headteachers, RE Subject Collective Worship, Ethos or SIAMS Leaders	Laura Watson	Online	Effective Church Schools	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £250 per year	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FA CZ
Tuesday 3 rd February	4.00– 5.30	Leadership Training	Created in the image of God: Justice and Responsibility	School leaders; teachers including governors	Laura Watson & Ruth Houston	Online	Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Justice	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FA DB
Wednesday 4 th February	8am – 10am	Heads and Clergy Breakfast	Join us for breakfast, mutual support and encouragement from others in your role in our diocese.	Headteachers and Clergy	Ruth Houston	Venue TBC	Headteacher Support	£15 per ticket	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FA WP
Wednesday 4 th February	5.00– 6.30pm	Governor Training	Preparing for SIAMS for governors	Governors	Lisa Pettifer	Online	Governor Support	Enhanced Free: PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FA BYJ
Monday 9 th February	5.00– 6.30pm	RE training	RE in a church school and effective RE governance	Governors	Laura Watson	Online	RE	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FA DD
Wednesday 11 th February	4.00– 5.30pm	Leadership Training	How to ensure LGBT members of your school family feel cherished in an age-appropriate way which is consistent with being a Church of England School	School leaders; Governors; PSHE or Key Stage Leaders; SENCos/ Inclusion Managers etc	Charlotte Tudway	Online	Inclusion	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FA DE

Half Term: Monday 16 th February – Friday 20 th February									
Monday 23 rd February	6.00–7.30pm	Governor Induction	Introduction to church school governance	New or recently appointed governors	Lisa Pettifer	Online	Governor Induction	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FADH
Wednesday 25 th February	4pm–5.30pm	Collective worship training	The three 'I's: Invitational; inclusive and inspiring	Anyone involved in leading collective worship in schools	Charlotte Tudway	Online	Collective Worship	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FADJ
March									
Monday 2 nd March	1.30–3.00pm	School Leaders Peer Support network	Flourishing Leaders	School Leaders	Ruth Houston	Online	Headteacher wellbeing	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £250 per year	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FAPH
Wednesday 4 th March	5.30–7.00 pm	Governors Peer Support Network	To include SIAMS for Governors and other updates	Governors	Ruth Houston + Lisa Pettifer	Online	Governor Support	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FAPJ
Monday 9 th March	4.00–5.00pm	Half termly SIAMs briefing	Inspection Question 4: culture/inclusion/ wellbeing Plus any updates from the national team, pattern spotting, feedback on reports under new Framework	Head teachers, school Staff	Charlotte Tudway	Online	Effective church schools/SIAMs	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £50	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FAPK
Monday 16 th March	4.00–5.30pm	Leadership Training	Spiritual Development: Digging deeper, including how to evidence impact	Those who have already completed Introduction to Spiritual Development	Ruth Houston	Online	Effective Church Schools	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FAPL
Summer Term 2026:									
Monday 13 April 2026 – Friday 17 July 2026									
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Tuesday 14 th April	4.00–5.30	Leadership Training	Created in the image of God: Justice and Responsibility	School leaders; teachers including governors	Laura Watson & Ruth Houston	Online	Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Justice	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FAPN
Wednesday 15 th April	4.00 – 5.30pm	Preparing for Church School Headteacher Interviews	What you can expect in a Church School interview process, how you can prepare and things to be aware of	Aspiring Church School leaders	Charlotte Tudway	Online	School leader support	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FAPO
Thursday 16 th April	4.00 – 5.30pm	SIAMS training	Preparing for a SIAMS Inspection	School leaders expecting an inspection 2025–2026 (or planning ahead!) including governors	Laura Watson	Online	SIAMS	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FAPS
Monday 20 th April	4.00–5.00pm	Half termly SIAMS Briefing	Inspection Question 5: character development/justice Plus any updates from the national team, pattern spotting, feedback on reports under new Framework	Headteachers, school staff	Charlotte Tudway	Online	SIAMS	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £50	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FAPU

Tuesday 21st April	4.00 – 5.30pm	Leadership Training	An introduction to Spiritual Development and how to plan for it across the curriculum	School Leaders including governors	Ruth Houston	Online	Spiritual Development	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FAPW
Wednesday 22 nd April	5:00–6:00pm	Governor Support	Preparing for SIAMS for governors	Governors	Charlotte Tudway Laura Watson	Online	Governor Support	Enhanced Free: PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FBYK
Monday 27 th April	4.00–5.30pm	RE Support	Making the most of your RE curriculum – a focus on RE resources and using the Questful scheme of work	RE leaders and teachers	Laura Watson	Online	Effective Church Schools	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FAPX

May

Tuesday 5 th May	4.00–5.00pm	Termly RE, CW & more Cluster	An opportunity to keep up to date with local and national updates and best practice, share ideas and resources. Focus: Using the census data to make your RE contextual with Jane Yates	Headteachers, RE Subject, Collective Worship, Ethos or SIAMS Leaders	Laura Watson	Online	Effective Church Schools	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £250 per year	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FAVL
Thursday 7 th May	6.00–7.30pm	Governor Induction	Introduction to church school governance	New or recently appointed governors	Lisa Pettifer	Online	Governor Induction	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FAVN
Monday 11 th May	6.00–7.30pm	Governor Development	Monitoring and evaluating as a church school governor	New or recently appointed governors	Lisa Pettifer	Online	Governor Induction	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FAVO
Tuesday 12 th May	1.30–3.00pm	School Leaders support network	Flourishing Leaders	School Leaders	Ruth Houston	Online	Headteacher Support	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £250 per year	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FAVP
Monday 18 th May	4.00–5.30pm	Leadership Training	Spiritual Development: Digging deeper including how to evidence impact	Those who have already completed Introduction to Spiritual Development	Ruth Houston	Online	Spiritual Development	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FAVQ
Tuesday 19 th May	1.00–3.00pm	Headteacher Induction Session 3 of 4	Session 3 of 4: Inclusivity across school –supporting pupils with SEND	New or recently appointed Headteachers or Acting Headteacher	Diocesan Team; PHA; CCC Learning Improvement Service	Online	Headteacher Induction	External	Book via PHA/LIS
Wednesday 20 th May	4.00–5.30pm	Effective RE	An overview: legal requirements for VC & VA schools, Ofsted & SIAMS expectations, ensuring a balanced curriculum and monitoring progress	New Headteachers or RE Leads in Church Schools	Laura Watson	Online	Effective Church Schools	Enhanced Free: PAYG £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FAVR
Thursday 21 st May	8–10am	Heads and Clergy Breakfast	Join us for breakfast, mutual support and encouragement from others in your role in our diocese.	Headteachers and Clergy	Ruth Houston, Charlotte +/ Laura	Venue TBC	Headteacher Support	£15 per ticket	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FAWQ

Half term: Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May

June

Tuesday 2 nd June	5.00–6.30pm	Governor Training	Successful Headteacher Appraisal	Governors	Charlotte Tudway	Online	Governor Support	Enhanced Free: PAYG £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/F/AVT
10 th June 2026	All day	Leaders' Conference	Annual Conference for all School Leaders: #FLOURISH	School leaders including governors	DBE Team	North Lakes Hotel	Annual/one-off	Enhanced: £150 per ticket PAYG: £250 per ticket	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/F/AWS
Monday 15 th June	4pm–5.30pm	Collective worship training	The three 'I's: Invitational; inclusive and inspiring	Anyone involved in leading collective worship in schools	Laura Watson	Online	Collective Worship	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FAVU
Tuesday 16 th June	TBC	Leavers Service	A chance to celebrate the Year 6 pupils moving up to secondary school	Year 6 pupils and school staff	Laura Watson and the Cathedral team	Carlisle Cathedral	Annual	Free	Details to follow
Wednesday 17 th June	TBC	Leavers Service	A chance to celebrate the Year 6 pupils moving up to secondary school	Year 6 pupils and school staff	Laura Watson and the Cathedral team	Kendal Parish Church	Annual	Free	Details to follow
Wednesday 17 th June	9.30am – 3.00pm	Headteacher Induction Session 4 of 4	Session 4 of 4: Identifying school priorities. Using data management to inform effective self-evaluation and school improvement cycle. Headteachers Performance Management. Q & A session.	New or recently appointed Headteachers or Acting Headteacher	Diocesan Team; PHA; CCC Learning Improvement Service	Penrith Rugby Club	Headteacher Induction	External	Book through PHA/LIS
Monday 22 nd June	5.30–7.00pm	Governors Peer Support Network	To include SIAMs for Governors and other updates	Governors	Ruth Houston & Lisa Pettifer	Online	Governor Support	Enhanced Free: PAYG £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/F/AVX
Monday 22 nd June	TBC	Leavers Service	A chance to celebrate the Year 6 pupils moving up to secondary school	Year 6 pupils and school staff	Laura Watson and the Cathedral team	Carlisle Cathedral	Annual	Free	Details to follow
Tuesday 23 rd June	TBC	Leavers Service	A chance to celebrate the Year 6 pupils moving up to secondary school	Year 6 pupils and school staff	Laura Watson and the Cathedral team	Carlisle Cathedral	Annual	Free	Details to follow
Monday 29 th June	4.00–5.30 pm	Leadership Training	Monitoring collective worship and its impact	Collective worship co-ordinators; school leaders including governors	Laura Watson	Online	Effective Church Schools	Enhanced Free: PAYG £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/F/AVZ
Tuesday 30 th June	4.00–5.00pm	Half Termly SIAMs Briefing	Inspection Questions 6&7: RE Plus any updates from the national team, pattern spotting, feedback on reports under new Framework	Headteachers, school staff	Laura Watson	Online	Effective Church Schools	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £50	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/F/AVC
July									
Monday 6 th July	1.30–3.00pm	Senior Leaders Peer Support Network	Flourishing Leaders	School Leaders	Ruth Houston	Online	Headteacher Support	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £250 per year	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/F/AWE
Tuesday 7 th July	4:00–5:30pm	SIAMS training	Preparing for a SIAMS Inspection	School leaders expecting an inspection 2025–2026 (or planning ahead!) including governors	Charlotte Tudway	Online	SIAMS	Enhanced: Free PAYG: £75	https://www.trybooking.com/uk/F/AVI

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