

Newsletter – APRIL 2024



Bishop's Badge

Bishop Libby wrote to all schools last month inviting you to nominate a child or group of children to receive a Bishop's Badge. Badges are awarded to children who embody the diocesan values of generous faith, courageous hope and life-giving love in an age-appropriate way.

Last year's service was a wonderful occasion for children and their families. We hope to see lots of schools and children attend again this year! We look forward to receiving your nominations - deadline 31 May.

Foundation Governor Nominations

Procedures and timeframes for appointing Foundation Governors are on our website [HERE](#). Please do check this information with your clerk.

Please note: The deadline for sending in nominations for terms of office ending before 31 October 2024 is **15 May**. The DBE Board only meet 3 times per year. If you miss this deadline, they next meeting isn't until mid-November.



Contact Details for Governing Body

It is important that we hold the correct contact email addresses for your chair, clerk and foundation governors. If you have people stepping down, do please remember to tell us and email [DBE Office](#) with details.

Bible Society

The Bible Society has recently released a new **FREE** resource for primary schools called *The Old Testament for Schools* ([Gospels in Schools](#) and [The Old Testament in Schools - Bible Society](#)). It's a resource for teachers to use with pupils to get them talking about Bible passages from the books of Genesis - Deuteronomy.





NSPCC

The NSPCC are encouraging every adult in the UK to take their [10-minute digital training](#) and learn how to listen up and speak up for children!

Their website also has a whole host of FREE resources for schools. Take a look [HERE](#).

NATRE response – Ofsted Report: Religious Education: Deep and Meaningful?

Please find the link to the long-awaited report on RE and NATRE's response to it [HERE](#)



Archbishops' Young Leaders Award



Free Twilight Webinars

Introduction to the Young Leaders Award

Looking for a programme that supports pupils to develop courageous advocacy, leadership and character and to serve their communities?

Find out more about the Archbishops' Young Leaders Award programme through their free online sessions this term for both primary and secondary schools. Sign up at www.abyyt.com/events.

Upcoming Briefings

Headteachers

10:00 Friday 03 May *NB change of date*

13:30 Monday 10 June

10:00 Wednesday 10 July

Governors (chairs, clerks, foundation governors)

19:00 Thursday 09 May

19:00 Monday 10 June

19:00 Wednesday 10 July

Collective Worship

16:00 Monday 13 May – Paid for Resources and Developing a Policy

16:00 Tuesday 18 June - Spirituality

If you would like details, please contact [Liz](#)





Spotlight on Monyash CE Primary School



The children of Monyash welcomed Bishop Malcolm to their school in February. The bishop led a collective worship based on the school's current value of Service and explained in detail how he serves others and how Jesus was the ultimate Servant King; the children then sang 'The Servant King' alongside Bishop Malcolm and the older children questioned him about his role and what it entailed. Monyash have a very confident team of four KS2 children who lead worship every term, based on the school's current value. Following the collective worship session, the Worship Team took Bishop Malcolm on a tour of St Leonard's Church.

Do let us know if you would like a spotlight on your school, or a visit from Bishop Malcolm!

Supporting our Schools to TRANSFORM – GROW – BUILD

Showing **generous faith, courageous hope & life-giving love**, Derby DBE's actions will be to:

- affirm and strengthen our relationship with school leaders and governors,
- offer a high-quality training & development programme for school leaders, governors, clergy, RE & CW practitioners.

Upcoming Training

Primary RE Development Training

Ideal for RE Subject Leads, teachers, support staff & any member of staff who will be teaching or helping to deliver RE. Delivered in person by Fiona Moss RE Today.
3 dates / venues are offered for each session.



Session 3 – Summer Term – Spirituality and RE

Monday 01 July 2024, 13:00 - 16:00 Chapel-en-le-Frith CE Primary School
Tuesday 02 July 2024, 09:00 - 12:00 Hartington Village Hall
Tuesday 02 July 2024, 13:30 - 16:00pm Derby Church House

Fee per session: PA £40 / Non PA £85 Booking form [HERE](#)

Understanding Christianity - Subject Knowledge Training

with Fiona Moss from RE today. This programme is useful for teachers, subject leads, support staff and any member of staff who will be teaching or helping to deliver RE.

Tuesday 23 April 2024, 13:00 - 16:00 Virtual

Fee per session: PA £40 / Non PA £85 each session (per participant) Booking form [HERE](#)

Understanding Christianity – Refresher Workshop

with Fiona Moss from RE today - an in-person event for any schools already using the Understanding Christianity resource. This is a useful session for any teachers who need a refresher.

Tuesday 21 May 2024, 09:30 - 15:00

Venue St Mary's Centre, Church Street, Pilsley, Chesterfield, S45 8EX

Fee: PA £80 / Non PA £120 Booking Form [HERE](#)

Pupil Day

The Pupil Day is designed to get students actively engaged with the RE curriculum. This is an in-person 1-day event for year 2 and year 3 pupils.

Schools are invited to bring 6 pupils and staff to accompany them. Videos and supporting resources are created by Fiona Moss & Alison Hill from RE Today:

Same and Different: Community, Values and Respect

Tuesday 25 June 2024, 09:30 - 14:30

Venue Eyam Church Centre, Church Street, Eyam, S32 5QH

Fees: PA £70 / Non PA £100 (per school) Booking form [HERE](#)

**Do remember to visit our [website](#) for lots of useful information and guidance.
Previous newsletters can be viewed [here](#).**