#### Leicester Diocesan Board of Education



#### Newsletter - MAY 2025

#### **School Based Nursery Provision**

Any school or academy wishing to introduce a school-based nursery and/or SEND provision should refer to DfE guidance. They must also gain the consent of the DBE. We are in the process of writing guidance which will be uploaded to our website shortly.



In the meantime, if you have any queries, please contact Nina Hern



#### **Inclusive Leadership Course**

The National Society for Education have partnered with <a href="The Difference">The Difference</a> and are offering places on Inclusive Leadership cohorts running from September 2025 in London, Rochdale, Salford, Chesterfield, Newcastle and Bristol. Places are **FULLY FUNDED** (the cost would be £2,500+ to the school). Cohorts are suitable for both primary & secondary leaders looking to embed inclusive practices within their school. Topics include contextual safeguarding, data analysis, restorative practice, EDIJ, exclusions and more.

The National Society for Education's aim is to gather several case studies to enable them to share key learnings with their 4,700 church schools nationally and further develop inclusive practice.

For more information, attend the webinar at 16:00 on Thursday 22 May

#### **Centenary of the Diocese of Leicester**

In 2026, we are celebrating 100 years since the formation of the Diocese of Leicester. This will be marked by a range of services and events throughout the year. The intention is to reflect and think about what a diocese means and for schools, what community and being part of a church school family means.



Tracey will be sending collective worship resources to all schools in the autumn term and will be working with Matt Long (Diocesan Intergenerational Enabler) to provide a listening exercise for schools around the theme of community. Feedback will be compiled by the DBE and Martyn Snow, Bishop of Leicester, will respond by means of a video that will be shared with participating schools.

The listening exercise will include an activity to create a project based on the theme of community. Schools' creations will be displayed either physically or digitally in Leicester Cathedral in the spring term of 2026.

#### **Bishop's Children & Youth Council BCYC**

The Diocese of Leicester is reimagining how they hear and respond to the voice of children and young people. Each term they facilitate a listening exercise in partnership with schools and church groups.



The listening theme chosen by children and young people for spring term 2025 is Safeguarding.

You can download the listening resource and find out more information <u>HERE</u> **Deadline for responses is Friday 23 May.** 

To find out more visit HERE or email Matt.long@leicestercofe.org



#### **NSPCC Speak Out, Stay Safe**

Have you heard of the NSPCC *Speak out Stay safe* programme? The resources are free (links below). The programme also links to the RSE curriculum.

Speak out Stay Safe - <u>Schools form | NSPCC Learning</u>
SEND - <u>Schools SEND form | NSPCC Learning</u>
Talk Pants including lesson plans for different age groups - <u>PANTS resources</u>
for schools and teachers | NSPCC Learning

Secondary education service <u>Talk Relationships</u>: resources to deliver sex and relationships education | <u>NSPCC Learning</u> that supports teachers and leaders to confidently deliver effective and inclusive Sex and Relationships Education. **This also includes a primary to secondary transition lesson plan that can be used with Year 6 pupils.** 

Free self-assessment tool to help schools audit current safeguarding & child protection arrangements. Safeguarding and child protection self-assessment tool | NSPCC Learning

#### **Net Zero Carbon Schools**

The National Society for Education have launched a **new animation** <u>HERE</u> which is aimed at encouraging schools to take the first steps to lower their carbon emissions. The animation is accompanied by a new digital guide which sets out a pathway for schools, offering simple tips and steps to take as they begin their journey to net zero carbon.



They are seeking to inspire and encourage Church of England schools to sign up to a vision of Net Zero Carbon schools for the benefit of the whole school community, to conserve the environment and to enable the planet to flourish for future generations.

Schools have an important role to play in all aspects of sustainability including reducing our environmental footprint and tackling climate change shows communities we hear young people and their concerns.



#### **SIAMS Survey for Schools & Trusts**

The National Society for Education is inviting schools and trusts to complete this year's short SIAMS survey. <u>SIAMS 2025 Survey for Schools and Trusts</u>. The deadline is 17:00 on Friday 13 June.

The survey is short and will take no longer than 10 minutes to complete. There are no right answers, and the views of those completing them are welcomed.

It is possible for many individuals to submit responses; the number of submissions per school or trust is not limited. It is important, however, that people complete the survey that is meant for them to safeguard data validity.

### **SAVE THE DATE!**



# 2024/2025 academic year

#### **Headteacher Briefings (held online)**

19 May 12:00-13:00 – Finding Balance as a Leader 11 June 09:30-11:30 – Reflections Across the Year IN PERSON

#### **Governor Briefings (held online)**

19 May – 13:15-14:15 11 June – 14:45-15:45

Do remember to visit our website for lots of useful information and guidance.

May half-term family fun at Leicester Cathedral

FREE craft activity making a watercolour planet!

No need to book - just drop in!



Tuesday 27 May 1.30 - 3.30pm Thursday 29 May 10.00am - 12.00pm

Soft Play under Mars!



**FREE** drop-in event for 0-8 year olds.

**Saturday 24 May** 10.00am - 2.00pm

All children must be accompanied by an adult and supervised at all times.

Suitable for ages 3+. All children must be accompanied by an adult and supervised at all times.

## Family craft evenings

5.00 - 7.00pm

Monday 26 May and Wednesday 28 May









- Make a light up planet
- Paint a pebble with galaxy design
- Pastel planet art
- Sensory and den building area

Tickets available via Eventbrite



www.leicestercathedral.org