



Effective Governance - Diocesan Training Programme 2019/20

Effective schools need strong governing boards and local governing committees and the Diocese is committed to providing support and training to enable effective governing boards, particularly with the specific task of leading a Church school.

Most of these practical, high-quality workshops, delivered by experienced professionals, are free to all governors in Diocese of Brentwood schools. Where there is a charge, this is a nominal fee to cover costs and clearly stated below.

Workshop	Overview	Target Audience	Dates	Venue	Trainers
Competency 4a- Roles and Responsibilities					
Induction - being an effective governor in a Catholic school	This session will help governors gain confidence and knowledge of the 3 core functions of governance within a Catholic setting	Especially suitable for new governors	Saturday 12 October 2019, 10:00-13:00	Cathedral House, Brentwood CM15 8AT	Debbi Botham and John Adams To book
Being a Trustee on a Diocesan MAT board	This workshop will give an insight into the role and responsibilities of trustees	Aimed at new trustees on a Diocesan MAT board but also a useful refresher for established boards	Autumn term 2019 TBA	Trust venue - TBA	TBA
Competency 2- Accountability					
Preparing for Ofsted and S48 Inspections	This workshop will give governors an overview of the Ofsted and S48 framework, and the implications for governors	<u>All governors</u>	Saturday 28 September 2019, 10:30-12:00	Cathedral House, Brentwood CM15 8AT	Maria Shepherd and Cathy McKenna To book

Finance, Budgets and Financial Monitoring	This half day workshop will provide governors with the knowledge to effectively lead strategic financial management within their schools.	All governors, but essential for those serving on a finance committee <i>There is a small charge of £15 per delegate for attending this workshop</i>	Tuesday 3 September 2019 18:00- 20:30 Academy version- Autumn term TBA	Cathedral House, Brentwood CM15 8AT TBA – Academy venue preferred	EES Schools Finance team To book
Using Data for Improvement	Governors need to have a clear understanding of performance data to enable them to challenge and support school leaders	All governors, but especially those with a lead on data	Saturday 23 November 2019 10:00-12:00	Cathedral House, Brentwood CM15 8AT	Catherine Harwood and Cathy McKenna To book
Effective Monitoring for School Improvement	This session will look at some of the practical applications of governor monitoring for school improvement, including governor visits	All governors	Tuesday 1 October 2019 17:30- 19:30 Spring term 2020 - TBA	St Thomas More's Catholic Primary School, Colchester South venue - TBA	Debbi Botham and Bridget Harris, Headteacher at St Thomas More's, Colchester To book
Primary Curriculum – your questions answered	The new Ofsted framework will move Ofsted's focus to whether schools are offering a curriculum	All primary school governors	Thursday 11 July 2019 17:30- 19:00	Cathedral House, Brentwood CM15 8AT	Catherine Harwood To book

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Secondary Curriculum – your questions answered	The new Ofsted framework will move Ofsted’s focus to whether schools are offering a curriculum that is broad, rich and balanced, and it is important that governors	All secondary school governors	Saturday 13 July 2019 9:30-12:00	Cathedral House, Brentwood CM15 8AT	Cathy McKenna To book
Expectations of governors in supporting the Catholicity of the school	This session will consider the expectations of governors in regard to collective worship, prayer development, mission statement, PSHE and a Diocesan view of relationships and sex education	All governors	Spring term 2020 TBA	Venue TBA	Sister Jude and Maria Shepherd
Competency 5: Compliance					
Safeguarding Children	Schools have a statutory duty to safeguard and promote the welfare of all pupils. This workshop will cover all the essential information you need to understand your responsibilities	All governors, but essential for those with a key responsibility for child protection and safeguarding	Wednesday 16 October 2019 17:30- 19:30	Cathedral House, Brentwood CM15 8AT	Kathy Dee To book

SEND – The Governors’ Role	This workshop covers all the essential information that governors need to understand the key roles and responsibilities of the SEND governor.	All governors, but especially those with a key responsibility for SEND	Spring term 2020 - TBA	Venue TBA	TBA
Competency 3 People: Building an Effective Team					
Supporting new chairs of governors	This workshop will focus on supporting new and aspiring chairs to explore the practical demands of the role and share good practice	New and potential chairs	Wednesday 20 November 2019 15:00-17:00	Cathedral House, Brentwood CM15 8AT	Debbi Botham To book
Understanding your role as a clerk	The role of the clerk is crucial to governing board effectiveness. This session will help clerks understand their key roles, whether in maintained schools or academies	Clerks in Diocese of Brentwood and Diocese of Chelmsford schools	Thursday 26 September 2019 9:30- 15:30	The C of E Diocesan Office, 53 New Street, Chelmsford CM1 1AT	Anne Whelpdale To book

Chairs’ Network

Being a chair of governors, whether at a maintained school or on a local governing committee, is a key leadership role, and it can be a challenging one.

The chairs’ network is an opportunity to meet once a term, networking with other chairs and sharing good practice whilst discussing a range of relevant issues with presenting professionals. See below to book the first meeting of the network:

Competencies: 1 Strategic Leadership, 2 Accountability, 3 People, 5 Compliance				
Summer term network – focus on Headteacher performance management	Setting objectives for the headteacher and assessing their performance and professional development needs are an essential part of driving school improvement.	Wed 19 June 2019 17:30- 19:30	Cathedral House, Brentwood CM15 8AT	Facilitators – Rob Simpson and Maria Shepherd To book
Autumn term network	The focus will be on recruitment/succession planning of school leaders.	Mon 14 October 2019 17:30-19:30	Cathedral House, Brentwood CM15 8AT	Facilitator – Maria Shepherd To book
Spring term network – focus on Admissions/Appeals		TBA	TBA	Rob Simpson + Diocesan solicitors