

BRENTWOOD DIOCESAN EDUCATION SERVICE

"Supporting Catholic schools to provide excellent education where pupils flourish, and Christ is made known to all."

Governor News - September 2022

This is a monthly summary to help governors keep up to date with key themes of national education policy, the local Diocesan context, research and good practice.

As you are aware, the new Framework for Catholic School Inspections (CSI) comes into force from September 2022 and inspections of Catholic schools will now be subject to this national framework. In Brentwood, we will not be conducting any Catholic School Inspections in the autumn term 2022 to give schools additional time to prepare – make sure you book your place on the CSI webinar for governors on 28 November 2022 (17:30-19:00)

DfE has published updated <u>guidance on permanent exclusions</u> as a companion piece to the <u>Behaviour in Schools</u> guidance. Our webinar led by Theresa Kerr at Winckworth Sherwood (**21 September 2022** 16:30-18:00) will look at the revised statutory guidance relating to exclusions and explore the legal responsibilities of the head, governing body or trust board. It will also consider exclusions in relation to the role of independent review panels and their powers to recommend or direct a governing body to reconsider its decision. <u>Book your place</u>

The <u>new Academy Trust Handbook has been published and took effect from 1 September</u> Click here for a summary of the changes

The new version of Keeping Children Safe in Education came into effect on 1 September 2022 bringing the new requirement for all governors and trustees to receive <u>safeguarding</u> and child protection training (including online safety) at induction. Another key change is for schools to consider online searches as part of their checks on shortlisted candidates

Kit Malthouse has been appointed as the new Secretary of State for Education

Ofsted has published <u>updated inspection handbooks</u> together with updated <u>guidance on</u> what schools should expect and what they need to do as part of an Ofsted inspection

Confused by constantly changing education jargon? Access our updated jargon buster

The government has announced that <u>prices of gas and electricity will be capped for the public sector for six months from October</u>

The Diocese has written a practical online course for governors serving on the headteacher appraisal panel as part of the Gift-ED library. If you do need to request access to the Gift ED library to access this course, please advise us by using this link

Are you a new governor? These webinars will help you gain confidence and knowledge of your role within a Catholic setting. <u>To book Module 1</u>- The Distinctive Nature of Catholic Schools – Wed 14 December 2021 (17:00-18:30); to book Module 2 - An Introduction to the Roles and Responsibilities of Governors – Mon 23 Jan 2023 (17:00-18:30)

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