



WITNESS

to the word



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2021
Autumn Term
Issue 5

Dear Colleagues in Catholic Education

Every second Wednesday, the Education Service provides schools with a wide variety of materials, resources, advice and updates on all matters relating to our schools and colleges. The content of these bulletins are for Headteachers, Senior Leaders, Teaching Staff, Governors,

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*Thank you for all you are doing for your school community
and for Catholic education!*

Upcoming Training Opportunities

Upcoming CPD – Online Courses November/December 2021

Date/Time	Course	Booking Links
Tuesday 30th November: 9.30am to 3.30pm	Secondary Heads of RE Day	Booking Link
Tuesday 30th November: 3.30pm to 5.00pm	The Use of Storytelling in RE	Booking Link
Thursday 2nd December: 3.30pm to 5.00pm	Liturgical Year	Booking Link

(Please click on the ticket link to book)

Upcoming Course of Interest:

Date/Time	Course	Booking Links
3.45pm to 5pm	Foundation Stones Online Course	
10th January	Session 1: The Catholic Faith	
24th January	Session 2: God the Father and Revelation	
7th February	Session 3: God the Son, Jesus Christ	
21st February	Session 4: The Holy Spirit, Mary and the Saints	
7th March	Session 5: The Church (and who's who)	
21st March	Session 6: The Liturgical Year, Liturgy and the Seven Sacraments	
2nd May	Session 7: Baptism and Confirmation	
6th June	Session 8: Eucharist	
13th June	Session 9: Reconciliation and Sacrament of the Sick	
27th June	Session 10: Marriage and Ordination	
4th July	Session 11: Christian Life and prayer	

[Booking Link](#)

Upcoming Governors CPD – Online Courses November/December 2021

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8th December: 6.00pm to 7.00pm	<p>Role of Governors in monitoring RSE Online Course</p> <p>COURSE AIM:</p> <p>The AIM is to provide guidance for Governors relating to the monitoring of RSE.</p> <p>COURSE CONTENT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide current guidance for Governors relating to RSE. • Provide guidance on monitoring RSE. • Explore using the RSE audit tool to monitor RSE. 	Booking Link

(Please click on the link to book)

RE and Catholic Life Resources

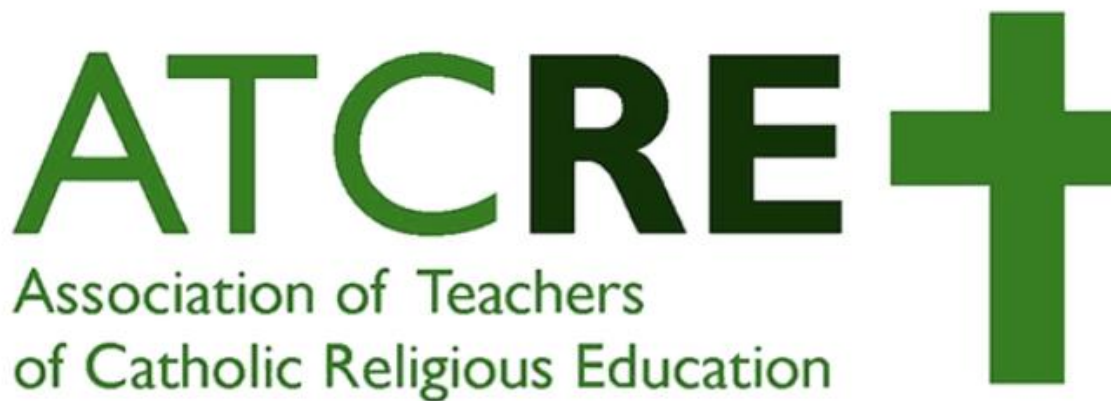


COP26, Celtic and Free Resources.

Dear all,

As the COP26 conference comes to a close, our hope remains eternal that meaningful dialogue will result in positive action. It has been so uplifting to see CAFOD in evidence in Glasgow and other cities in the UK to promote the need for change to protect our Common Home. You can see the CAFOD news item on what needs to happen in the final days of COP26 at [COP26: What needs to happen in the last few days? | CAFOD](#).

The disappointment of Pope Francis deciding not to visit Glasgow for COP26 and wearing the green and white hoops of Celtic, was offset by his contribution to the BBC Radio 4 Thought for the Day slot. If you missed it, you can catch up at [BBC Radio 4 - Thought for the Day, His Holiness Pope Francis](#). I'm not sure if Pope Francis wearing a Celtic jersey was ever part of the official Vatican programme but one can dream.



The Tablet Offer for Catholic Schools.

Dear all,

The International Catholic News Weekly, **The Tablet** have launched a great scheme for Catholic schools.

They are generously offering a free weekly copy of **The Tablet** to Catholic schools. This is a great resource for both staff and students to engage with news and analysis of events worldwide. Articles are ideal for use with students studying GCSE or A Level RE. As well as religious news from the UK and abroad, each week sees a number of features and comment. You can see more details of the content of The Tablet at www.thetablet.co.uk.

To secure your weekly copy email the CEO of The Tablet, Amanda Davison-Young at adyoung@thetablet.co.uk. A number of schools have already signed up. The free offer is worth over £100, don't miss out.

CPD

Online Teachers' CPD: Teaching Inclusive Judaism 2 December 2021 @ 4-6pm

What does it actually mean to be Jewish? Is Judaism a religion, culture or ethnicity? How do I teach Judaism holistically, whilst giving space to the different intersectional communities?

Join the Jewish Museum for their Virtual Teachers CPD that explores what it really means to be Jewish and how best to teach an authentic and inclusive Judaism in your classrooms. This CPD is open to both Primary and Secondary School Teachers and costs £10 a ticket.

To book, go to [Online Teachers' CPD: Teaching Inclusive Judaism - The Jewish Museum London](#)

Zoom link will be sent once booked

Timings:

Hanukah Lighting at 4-4:30pm (optional)

CPD: 4:30-6pm

RESOURCES

- **Farmington Scholarship 2022/23**

- Applications for the 2022/23 Farmington Scholarships are now open. These are Scholarships available to teachers of religious education and associated subjects in UK secondary, primary, and special needs schools. Head teachers who wish to undertake research into either religious education or values education are also eligible to apply. Scholarships cover the cost of tuition, essential local travel and, by negotiation with the school, the salary of a replacement teacher up to point 6 of the main pay scale. Scholarships last for a maximum of 30 days and can either be taken at a local university (we have links with 13 throughout England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland) or can be home-based with a local tutor. Further information and an application form can be found on our website <http://www.farmington.ac.uk/index.php/farmington-scholarships/>

- **The God Who Speaks**

- November Focus is on **All Saints and All Souls**: godwhospeaks.uk/all-saints-and-all-souls
Fleur explores why we celebrate these Feast Days in the **Journey to the Other**

Side: godwhospeaks.uk/the-feasts-of-all-saints-and-all-souls

Healing Tree activity for schools and parishes as we pray for loved ones who've died: godwhospeaks.uk/healing-tree-activity

Saintly Inspiration role models this month: godwhospeaks.uk/saintly-inspiration

Menevia hosts an online Scripture morning on **Saul and Paul: A Story of Inner**

Conversion by Fr Matthew Roche-Saunders: godwhospeaks.uk/online-scripture-day-2

Birmingham continues with Natalie's **Women in Scripture Podcast series** which now includes Ruth, Abigail, Hannah, Deborah and The Virgin Mary.

<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/women-in-scripture>

- **Christmas Resources for schools and parishes:**

godwhospeaks.uk/christmas-resources

godwhospeaks.uk/the-christmas-donkey

godwhospeaks.uk/the-christmas-story-in-plain-english

godwhospeaks.uk/celebrate-christmas-with-bible-society

godwhospeaks.uk/making-room-for-god-this-christmas

godwhospeaks.uk/soul-to-soul

- **Diocese of Westminster - Catholicism Unpacked**

- This resource is to help you as teachers and leaders to appreciate more fully the Advent season and save you time and energy so that you, in turn, can develop the theology, religious literacy and spirituality of pupils as well as their understanding of Catholic Social Teaching. [Catholicism Unpacked – New – Diocese of Westminster Education Service \(rcdow.org.uk\)](https://www.rcdow.org.uk)

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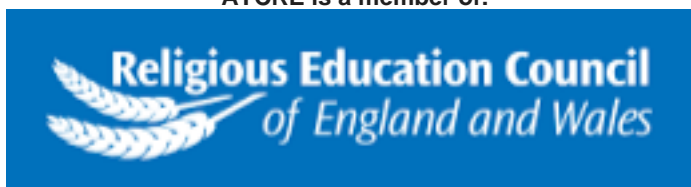
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Association of Teachers of
Catholic Religious EducationSupporting & representing RE teachers
working in Catholic schools[INFORMATION ON VIRTUAL CONFERENCE](#)***Same address, new look!***Find our CPD Monthly Zoom resources from 2020/2021: [here](#)Check out the amazing videos from our 2020 conference: [here](#)Find out about how ATCRE has been advocating on your behalf in national
consultations: [here](#)Find out more about what we do: [here](#)**KEY INFO**

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Holocaust Memorial Day

Holocaust Memorial Day (HMD) is on 27 January, and there are lots of free resources online to help teachers lead assemblies, activities or lessons with students. New this year are lesson plans about the *Kindertransport* and a flexible set of worksheets called 'Days to remember', which give an introduction to different genocides through one day, one person and one artefact.

You can find all the school materials at www.hmd.org.uk/schools. Marking HMD helps your students to learn about the Holocaust, Nazi persecution of other groups, more recent genocides and contemporary issues. They will increase their knowledge, empathy and desire to take part in social action. This is especially important at a time when hate crime, extremist views, antisemitism and anti-Muslim hate are on the rise. Contact the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust Education Officer today for help and support and to get started: education@hmd.org.uk.

CCRS – February 2022

Are you interested in developing your knowledge to support your teaching of RE? Are you interested in a Senior Role or Leadership in a Catholic School?

If the answer to these questions is yes, then the CCRS is for you!

A new group will start Module 1 in February 2022. It will run online on a Wednesday from 4-6pm, for five weeks per module. Alternatively, you can join the group running online on a Saturday 10-4pm for two Saturdays per module. They will start Module 3 in January and you can make up Modules 1 & 2 later.

Dates can be found on RCDOW Education website, choose Events and Courses and CCRS has its own section.

For the attention of HTs and DHTs: In the CES Census return, some schools have recorded a low number of staff with CCRS or they have recorded that TAs are teaching RE lessons. The CCRS may be able to help you upskill staff for the important role of teaching RE. It will give them a basic theological knowledge and is suitable for all staff.

We are a supportive and encouraging learning community.

Please contact Margaret Hanley ccrs@rcdow.org.uk if you are interested in joining, have any questions or just want to know more about what is involved.

Congratulations to Lorraine Haugh and to Lorraine Marshall, both from Our Lady of Muswell Catholic Primary School, who have successfully achieved the CCRS Certificate. Well done!

Margaret Hanley | CCRS Co-ordinator

Email: ccrs@rcdow.org.uk

CCRS Website: www.rcdow.org.uk/ccrs

Inspection Update

Diocesan Inspection

The new National Framework will be fully implemented in September 2022, at which point the existing Framework will become redundant. It is anticipated that the new National Framework Handbook and SEF will be published before the end of this year and training will be provided throughout next year. The Diocese is continuing to recruit CSI inspectors for the implementation of the new Framework in September 2022. Further details about the role and application process can be provided by contacting nancyconoboy@rcdow.org.uk.

RSE Update

Relationship and Sex Education in Catholic Schools

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Racial Justice, Equality and Diversity Update

The Diocesan RJED Working Party are delighted to offer this comprehensive Catholic programme of CPD which aims to educate, inform and inspire participants so they can actively work to achieve racial justice and equality in their communities.

The sessions each running between 3.30-5pm on different days to make them accessible to all staff. The final four sessions will cover - Decolonising the Curriculum, Rethinking the Curriculum, Challenging Racial Injustice in the Church and Solidarity in the Face of Adversity. You can purchase individual tickets for each session or you can save your school money and buy a school bundle [HERE](#) which includes access to all the sessions for all staff, leaders, governors and parents.

ONLINE RJED CPD PROGRAMME 2022

18 JAN DIVERSIFYING, DECOLONISING AND INCLUSIVISING THE CURRICULUM

To support participants in understanding conceptual differences in terms of what a diverse, decolonised and inclusive curriculum means.

Speaker: Professor Paul Miller

Audience: All staff, parents, clergy, Diocesan staff, Non Diocesan staff.

Tuesday 18th January | 3.30 to 5.00pm



RETHINKING THE CURRICULUM: SCHOOLS' WORKSHOP 22 FEB

To support participants in rethinking an inclusive curriculum.

Speaker: Alexandra Brown and representatives from three Diocesan schools.

Audience: All staff, school leaders, governors in primary and secondary schools.

Tuesday 22nd February | 3.30 to 5.00pm



11 MAY CHALLENGING RACIAL INJUSTICE IN THE CHURCH

To challenge racial injustice in the Church.

Speaker: Father Richard Nesbitt

Audience: All staff, parents, clergy, Diocesan staff.

Wednesday 11th May | 3.30 to 5.00pm

SOLIDARITY IN THE FACE OF ADVERSITY 20 JUN

To develop advocacy in schools for racial justice, equality and diversity.

Speaker: Susan Elderfield

Audience: All staff, governors, parents, clergy and Diocesan staff.

Monday 20th June | 3.30 to 5.00pm

AN ADDITIONAL SESSION TITLED 'PRIMARY ANTI-RACIST RE' WITH OUR GUEST SPEAKER LAT BLAYLOCK IS AVAILABLE VIA OUR BOOKING SITE ON THE 24TH MARCH 2022

ALL SESSIONS CAN BE PURCHASED INDIVIDUALLY HOWEVER WE HAVE CREATED A PACKAGE WHICH PROVIDES AN AFFORDABLE BOOKING OPTION FOR YOUR SCHOOL, CLICK THE ICON BELOW.

CLICK HERE

TO BOOK PLEASE VISIT
WWW.COURSES.RCDOW.ORG.UK

Staff from St Dominic's Catholic Primary School in Hackney have attended all of the RJED courses to date and been inspired by our speakers to celebrate this in their school. Here are some examples of the impact of their work:

Halo Hair Code

We are excited to announce that St. Dominic's Catholic Primary School has adopted 'The Halo Code', the UK's first Black hair code. No Black staff or students should have to change their natural or protective hairstyle in order to thrive at our school. We hope that the Halo Code will move us one step closer to a world free from discrimination, where all Black members of our community have their identities fully recognised and celebrated.



Our school champions the right of staff and students to embrace all Afro-hairstyles. We acknowledge that Afro-textured hair is an important part of our Black staff and students' racial, ethnic, cultural, and religious identities, and requires specific styling for hair health and maintenance.

We welcome Afro-textured hair worn in all styles including, but not limited to, afros, locs, twists, braids, cornrows, fades, hair straightened through the application of heat or chemicals, weaves, wigs, headscarves, and wraps.

At this school, we recognise and celebrate our staff and students' identities. We are a community built on an ethos of equality and respect where hair texture and style have no bearing on anyone's ability to succeed.



Proud to Be

The theme for Black History Month was 'Proud to Be' our parents at St Dominic's Catholic School spoke with the deputy headteacher and shared what they are proud to be. For example, some parents stated they are proud of their ethnicity, speak a different language, and being a black hard working mum.

World Afro Hair Day (Big hair day) – Wednesday 15th September

World Afro Day is a global day of change, education and celebration of Afro hair; endorsed by the UN Office of the High Commissioner for Human rights. The children watched the Big Hair Assembly at 1.30pm on Wednesday 15th September. This was also the 5th anniversary of World Afro Day. The assembly was hosted in the UK by the broadcaster and award-winning saxophonist, YolanDa Brown. For the first time, the event was being supported by Britain's major education unions: ASCL, NAHT, NASUWT, NEU UNISON and Voice Community. Award-winning, World Afro Day is an annual day of change, education and celebration of Afro hair, culture and identity. It raises global awareness about Afro hair discrimination and creates positive solutions. We thoroughly enjoyed being part of this positive momentum and celebrated the day by super styling our hair especially for the occasion.



Mental Health Update

Action For Happiness

The Action For Happiness organisation release handy well-being calendars each month – November is 'New Ways November' – find out more [here](#)

Mentally Healthy Schools/ [Anna Freud Centre](#):

Anti-bullying Toolkit: Primary Schools Click [here](#)

Anti-bullying Toolkit: Secondary Schools Click [here](#)

Advent Giving Calendar



Caritas Westminster has prepared a powerpoint and session plan for schools to accompany our **Advent Giving Calendar**. Download the [presentation](#) and [session plan here](#).

Our Advent Giving Calendar is an advent calendar with a difference. Each day a different item is suggested for donation to your local food bank or food project including those that are run in your own school! If your school is not already linked with a food bank, this could be the time to start giving to a project in your area – consider having a box in your reception area for people to bring their items, or advertise clearly in your newsletter where the food should be taken to.

A PDF of the advent calendar can be accessed by clicking [here](#) and can be easily included in any e-newsletter.

Please let us know if your school is using the Calendar. Take a photo and tag us on social media or email cfc@rcdow.org.uk

Learn about Community Sponsorship of Refugees

Thursday 9th December 2021, 2pm – 3:30pm online

Join us to find out how your school or community group can create a safe route from a refugee camp to your neighbourhood, and welcome a family through the **Community Sponsorship Programme**.

On the news we hear that thousands of people risk their children's lives in flimsy, overcrowded boats to cross the channel. How desperate must they be, to hand over all their savings to a stranger to get them here. What terror must they be escaping to make that choice? Instead of punishing those who make these treacherous journeys, we are asking the government to add more safe routes so that people fleeing war, persecution and climate change don't have to seek such desperate measures, but instead receive a warm welcome and the support they need to thrive alongside the local community. With the resumption of UNHCR flights from refugee camps, Community Sponsorship is a vital way to welcome refugees who are seeking a safe place to call home. 99 families have already been welcomed and well-integrated into communities by churches, schools and community groups across the UK (figures from 2016-2020).

This meeting is an exciting opportunity to learn more about the Community Sponsorship scheme and have any questions you might have answered by those leading on this area in London and nationally. Whether you are curious about the scheme, are working on your application, or have already welcomed a family, you are most welcome to join us on December 9th from 2 – 3.30pm

Sign up on Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/time-to-step-up-and-support-the-community-sponsorship-scheme-tickets-175593002397>

Governance Update

School Admissions

1. From recent communications with schools around their admissions policies, two main areas have been highlighted where we would like to emphasise our desire that all schools follow the CES model policies.

The first is around priority given to catechumens as evidenced by a certificate of reception in to the order of catechumens. Priority should not be given to children of catechumens. Children under the age of seven are not eligible for admission to the Catechumenate.

The second is around the home address of the child for whom a school place is being applied. The model policy says 'A child's "home address" refers to the address where the child usually lives with a parent or carer, and will be the address provided in the Common Application Form ("CAF"). Where parents have shared responsibility for a child, and the child lives for part of the week with each parent, the home address will be the address given in the CAF, provided that the child resides at that address for any part of the school week.' Many schools explain the home address as where the child resides for at least 50% of the week, but we would prefer the use of the wording in the model policy relevant to your school that is on the diocesan website.

2. Now that the consultation window has opened for Admission Policies for the year 2023/24, we would like to emphasise to all schools the importance of using and following the model admissions policies from the CES that are on the Diocesan website, remembering that if you make any changes to the oversubscription criteria, you should retain, as far as possible, the order as set out in the model policies. Model policies are available for primary & secondary and for schools using the CCP and not.
3. Queries relating to admissions and staffing policies should be sent to Deb Long at schooladmissions@rcdow.org.uk who can advise and seek further clarification where necessary.

Schools and governing boards should not contact the CES directly.

CES Policies

We would also like to recommend the importance of using the CES staffing policies available on their website – Sickness Absence, Disciplinary, Grievance, and Capability. Whilst these policies are available in an amendable format on the CES website, we would strongly advise that you only amend to include your school details and leave the rest as set out by the legal team at the CES. In doing this we are better able to support you in the event of finding yourselves needing support and guidance because of a staffing issue.

Process for appointing foundation governors / directors

We ask that your school appoints a Nominated Person (either the Clerk to Governors or perhaps, someone in the School Office) who will administer this process. The Nominated Person should download the suite of forms [available [here](#)] and personalise them to the school, including the email address of the nominated person.

The Nominated Person will send the application to and receive the application from the applicant. The Nominated Person will seek the references and the DBS certification. (Note: the parish priest may wish to return the reference directly to the diocese; if they wish to do this, they have been asked to let the nominated person know).

When all references and Clearances are available, the Nominated Person will upload all documents to the Diocese using this secure link [here](#). A receipt will be sent to the Nominated Person and the Applicant on submission.

The Diocese will determine the complete application within 21 days, either with a letter and deed of appointment, or other communication.

If you have any questions about how the system will work or difficulty in downloading the materials, please contact Carol Campbell (governors@rcdow.org.uk)

SPEC Update



SPEC RETREAT CENTRE

A SPIRITUAL AND PERSONAL ENCOUNTER WITH CHRIST



RESIDENTIAL BOOKINGS NOW OPEN FOR 2021-22

Who are we?

SPEC is the retreat centre for young Catholics in the Diocese of Westminster. It stands for '**Spiritual and Personal Encounter with Christ**' and that is what we aim to deliver. We offer a unique opportunity for children and young people to reflect and experience the presence of God in their lives. In great demand since COVID-19, our tranquil setting allows retreatants to escape the stress of lockdown life and find peace.

Why choose SPEC?

The COVID-19 pandemic has caused unprecedented disruption in the lives of children and young people and the impact on their **mental health** has been enormous. We provide a **safe and nurturing environment** in which students can reflect, away from the hustle and bustle of school life. Our **young retreat leaders** are relatable to the retreatants and can offer inspiring testimonies of their faith journeys that can be of real benefit to young people investigating their faith.

What do we offer?

- **All-new retreat programmes**, differentiated by year group (Years 5-13) for residential and day retreats.
- **Full-board accommodation** in our residential complex with ensuite rooms and dormitories. Our commercial kitchen has full capacity for dietary requirements.
- **Seven acres of grounds and woodlands**, including a football pitch and a campfire.
- **On-site chapel**, containing a relic of St. Thomas Beckett.
- **Fully COVID-compliant** and risk-assessed.

Where are we?

We are well-connected with **excellent transport links** via the Metropolitan Line (Pinner) and the Overground (Hatch End). We also have **two car parks** with ample space for coaches.

How to book?

To book or for more information, please contact us by telephone, email or online.

POST COVID DEMAND IS HIGH. To avoid disappointment, please book your space now at:

0203 757 2500 | spec@rcdow.org.uk | specretreatcentre.org/bookings



Thinking of taking a Gap Year? Unsure about your future? Searching for a new experience?

Volunteer Programme

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Our Mission

Helping young people pursue the true, the good and the beautiful found in Christ, because each of us is made for greatness.

”

Who are we looking for?

We are looking for a team of committed practicing Catholics between the ages of 18 and 25 to help us run retreats at our centre in Pinner.

Why join us?

If you are looking to grow in your faith and meet other young Catholics, joining our volunteer team is a great place to start.

What can we offer you?

- A monthly spiritual and professional formation programme
- Youth ministry work experience
- Mentorship opportunities
- Faith-based retreats and days of recollection
- Catholic networking
- Certificate of Youth Ministry Formation Programme signed by Bishop Nicholas



What is the Commitment?

Serve

Volunteers commit to helping twice per month at our retreat centre in Pinner. The precise dates can be flexible with your schedule and are agreed in advance.

Grow

The cohort take part in a monthly online formation session that fosters both their spiritual and professional growth. There will also be initial training at the end of August (also via Zoom).

Pray

We ask that you commit to praying on a weekly basis for our mission. There will also be opportunities to join together in prayer as a community.

Give

Volunteers commit to supporting SPEC's mission financially by giving at a rate of between £5 and £15 per month. By offering up just two coffees a month, you are helping us to bring the gospel to young people in the Diocese.

Contact ruthwarner@redow.org.uk for more info | Waxwell House, 125 Waxwell Lane, London, Pinner, HA5 3EP

Capital Projects and PPP Update

Capital

Statlog – Statutory Compliance

Compliance Overview



Site Manager Tests

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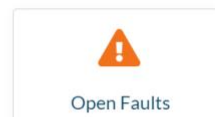
[Show Non-Compliant Setup Sites ▶](#)



Specialist Contractor Tests

1123 / 1460 Test Assets Compliant

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169 out of 205 sites currently subscribed to Statlog.

135 out of 205 sites currently setup for Site Manager Tests.

133 out of 205 sites currently setup for Specialist Contractor Tests.

☒ Only include statistics from sites & assets that have been fully setup on Statlog Statutory Testing Modules

One school has registered as a Statlog user since the last update.

There are now only 14 Schools and Academies occupying Diocesan Trust Land that have not signed up to Statlog. These are:

Blessed Dominic Catholic Primary School	NW9 5PE
Holy Cross Catholic School	SW6 4BL
Our Lady and St Joseph Catholic Primary School	E14 0DE
Our Lady of Grace Catholic Infant and Nursery School	NW2 6EU
Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School	TW11 9DD
St Aloysius Catholic College	N6 5LY
St Dominic's Catholic Primary School	NW5 4JS
St James's Catholic Primary School	TW2 5NP
St Joan of Arc Catholic Primary School	N5 2UX
St Margaret Clitherow Catholic Primary School	NW10 0BG
St Mary's Catholic Primary School Isleworth	TW7 7EE
St Robert Southwell Catholic Primary School	NW9 8YD
St Teresa Catholic Primary School	WD6 5HL
The Cardinal Wiseman Catholic School	UB6 9AW

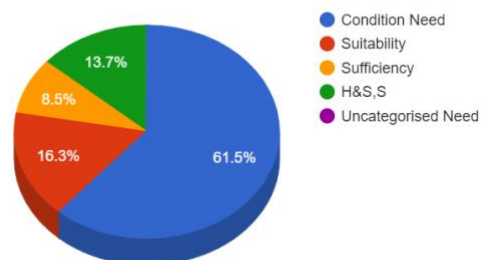
Diocesan consultants continue to engage with schools to complete the Statutory Compliance setup process. Schools that are fully setup are reporting positive engagement from their premises colleagues and improved accountability through leadership and governance.

Statlog – Condition Surveys

Capital Asset Need

Condition Need	£133,758,623.88	All
Suitability	£35,529,443.93	0/0
Sufficiency	£18,575,001.00	List
Health, Safety & Safeguarding	£29,701,819.15	List

Includes data from 148 completed surveys. 7 surveys are in progress.



Total Need: £217,564,887.96

155 surveys are complete or nearing completion. Consultants have a further 14 surveys to complete and then every licenced school will have an up-to-date Statlog Survey. Whilst the level of investment required in registered schools is significantly greater than previously forecast, the quality and equality of the data is helping to ensure that the highest priority needs are addressed first.

Project Manager Lite (PML)

On 31st December 2021, any of the £1.5M of Matched Funding assigned to School that remains unused will be clawed back. Funding to projects that are currently in development will be honoured as long as the project has reached the stage where the letter of appointment has been issued to the contractor.

CAUTION: Please check that SBMs and others complete all sections of the PML process. Some colleagues have started well and then deviated from the Statlog System. The Diocese cannot make payment on projects where the prerequisite evidence is missing. The main areas of weakness appear to be:

- Quotation Return and Adjudication, and
- Invoice upload

If you need support with either of these elements (or anything else within Statlog) please contact nigelspears@rcdow.org.uk (07738183828) or telephone Statlog on 03331123133.

For full transparency and audit purposes, all elements of the Statlog Process must be recorded electronically. If a contractor fails to provide their quotation in the required format, their submission cannot be accepted. Please work with contractors and help them to understand our requirements.

Priority School Building Programme

Project managers continue to monitor the progress of schools in this scheme.

Pupil Placement Planning

Registered Pupils Return – October 2021

Following the Head Teacher Hub Meetings last week a further 19 schools have submitted the data required by the Trustees (40 schools in total). If you have overlooked this submission, please send it to nigelspears@rcdow.org.uk.

Access to the Diocesan Data Sorting Tool is available via the Education Service website:

1st Planner Project

No colleagues have secured access to the 1st Planner Project Data relating to their School/Academy

If you would like access to the data, please register for access at: www.1stplanner.com/datarequest. The system administrator will validate your application and create a secure link.

Decarbonisation

Salix – Heat Decarbonisation Plans

In recent days, Zeco has written to the schools shortlisted for this initiative. If you receive an email and you wish to confirm its authenticity, please email nigelspears@rcdow.org.uk.

This process must be completed before 31st March 2022. Please advise immediately if you are unable to engage and we can draw in a school from the reserve list.

Approved Initiatives

Condition Data Collection (CDC)

The Government has commenced the latest round of its Condition Data Collection process. Schools will be contacted by surveyors appointed by the Government. This process is monitored by the Education Service, but we do not normally attend any of the engagement sessions. The surveyors are expected to contact you in advance of any proposed site visit. Please contact nigelspears@rcdow.org.uk if you have any questions about this process. If we receive advanced notification of a block of visits, we will publish that list in the bulletin.

Insurance Validation

The Catholic Insurance Service and Zurich have commissioned an audit and appraisal of schools insured via the CIS. The Diocesan Trustees are paying for this initiative and targeted schools will be approached by a company called Charterfields. If your school is targeted during this initiative, please supply Charterfields with the data and access they required.