

February 2023

Professional Development Spring/Summer 2023 Programme



Welcome!

Whether your school is part of BOAT or not, you are welcome to participate in our programme of training. We don't intend to duplicate excellent courses run by others – but to complement where needed. If you are interested in running a course, or have a suggestion, please let us know.



Online training

Expert training for staff

RE Event: Introduction to the RE Searchers approach

Purpose: Inspire and inform RE subject leaders and senior leaders

Using the RE searchers approach to develop disciplinary knowledge and personal knowledge when using the understanding Christianity resource

Speaker: Giles Freathy **Facilitator:** Victoria Bishop

Time: Tuesday 23rd May 3:30 – 5:00 **Location:** Zoom **Cost:** Free

Giles Freathy is a consultant and lecturer for The Learning Institute. He was formerly a Specialist Leader of Education for Religious Education, Humanities and Thinking Skills. He was the recipient of the TES Humanities Award (2014) for his innovation, teaching and subject leadership in Religious Education. Giles also acted as the advisory teacher and resource developer for the University of Exeter's 'RE-flect project'. Giles is co-authoring a book arising from this project called *Metacognition, Thinking and Religious Education* (London, 2016). He is a course tutor for the Cornwall Primary SCITT Partnership, University of Exeter Primary PGCE programme and The Learning Institute's PGCE programme.

In this brief introduction to 'the RE-searchers approach' (Freathy et al., 2015), Giles Freathy will highlight how the approach can be used to develop pupil's disciplinary knowledge and personal knowledge as suggested in the Ofsted Review (2021) 'quality conclusions'. Following these recommendations will result in a rigorous and reflexive introduction to Christianity for Primary pupils.

Booking: Please email office@boat.academy to register your interest and to receive the Zoom joining instructions.



Face to face training

Opportunities to collaborate with colleagues

Oracy, Writing and Vocabulary

Purpose: Creative and practical approaches for schools

Leader: Jane Branson **Time:** 8.45-12.15 15th May 2023
Shoreham **Cost:** TBC

Location: St Nicolas & St Mary's Primary School,

Jane Branson delivers outstanding consultancy, advice and training for primary and secondary schools. Drawing on nearly 30 years' experience - as teacher, leader, consultant and school governor - she prides herself on a warm and practical approach which supports colleagues in creative and manageable ways. Jane is also an experienced Philosophy for Children trainer, and has written numerous student and teacher text books. For more information visit <https://www.janebransonlearning.co.uk/>

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SIAMS Prep #1 – Working towards the new national SIAMS Framework September 2023

Purpose: To work together to prepare for SIAMS 2023

Leader: David Etherton **Time:** 1.30-3.00pm Tuesday 16th May

Location: St Nicolas & St Mary's Primary School, Shoreham **Cost:** Free

For our first session, participants are asked to bring and share their 'On-going Self-Evaluation Template' – preferably based on the national SIAMS Framework September 2023. We will then focus on Inspection Questions on vision, curriculum and culture (IQ 1, 2, 4, 5) sharing good practice and how we articulate a 'theologically rooted Christian vision'. Bring a laptop to update your self-evaluation.

Participants are strongly encouraged to attend the following diocesan training: [Preparing for Your SIAMS Inspection 2023-2024](#) Thursday 23 March 2023, 10:00-16:00, Church House, Hove and be familiar with the SIAMS 2023 Documents & Resources from the Church of England ([Click here](#))

Booking: Please email office@boat.academy to register your interest

RE Moderation

Purpose: Moderation of RE work

Leader: Victoria Bishop **Time:** Summer term (tbc) **Location:** TBC **Cost:** Free

Victoria Bishop is the Deputy Headteacher and RE lead at St Nicolas and St Mary's school. In 2016 she helped the school to be judged 'outstanding' in all areas of SIAMS including RE.

Booking: Please email office@boat.academy to register your interest

SIAMS Prep #2 – Working towards the new national SIAMS Framework September 2023

Purpose: To work together to prepare for SIAMS 2023

Leader: David Etherton **Time:** 1.30-3.00pm Monday 26th June **Location:** TBC **Cost:** Free

For our second session, participants will be invited to share best practice from one area of the new national framework.

Colleagues will also be invited to share a 'SIAMS' challenge/problem they are facing which we can collectively try and solve.

Booking: Please email office@boat.academy to register your interest

Worship – Sharing best practice

Purpose: To share resources, plans and ideas to ensure collective worship enables pupils and adults to flourish spiritually (in line with the new SIAMS 2023 national framework)

Facilitator: David Etherton **Time:** 4.00-5.00pm 7th June 2023 **Location:** TBC **Cost:** Free

This will be an opportunity for participants to share worship plans and resources and inspirational ideas. Participants will be asked to bring along and share the Collective Worship section of their self-evaluation template (preferably the national 'On-going Self Evaluation Template for September 2023')

Participants are encouraged to have first attended the following diocesan training: [Moving Forward with Collective Worship](#) Friday 31 March 2023, 10:00-16:00, Church House, Hove

Booking: Please email office@boat.academy to register your interest

SIAMS Prep #3 – Working towards the new national SIAMS Framework September 2023

Purpose: To work together to prepare for SIAMS 2023

Leader: David Etherton **Time:** 1.30-3.00pm Tuesday 19th September 2023 **Location:** TBC **Cost:** Free

For our third session, participants will be invited to bring and share their 'Summary Self-Evaluation Template' based on the national SIAMS Framework September 2023. Bring a laptop to update your self-evaluation.

Booking: Please email office@boat.academy to register your interest



Essential Online Training

Compulsory training for staff

NCSC Cyber Security Training for school staff

Purpose: Compulsory training for all staff (and possibly governors, students and volunteers)

Provider: National Cyber Security Centre **Time:** Anytime **Location:** YouTube **Cost:** Free

School staff are a critical part of a school's IT security defence. This video looks at what threats schools face and give tips on good cyber hygiene that can help staff improve a schools cyber resilience. All staff, and any volunteers (including students and governors) who have access to the schools' IT systems (e.g. email or private area of website) are required to complete the cyber security training. Schools with RPA insurance must do this or risk invalidating their insurance.

The 36 minute video can be found at: [Click here](#)

Completion: Please speak to your headteacher/line manager



Pupil activities

Opportunities for children

RE Enrichment Morning

Purpose: To give children the opportunity for deep thinking and discussions and respond in a creative way

Leader: Victoria Bishop / Jenny Kite **Time:** 20th March 2023, morning session

Location: St Nicolas & St Mary's Primary School, Shoreham **Cost:** Free

A morning of creative RE, where children will explore the similarities and differences between different places of worship and quiet reflection and work together to design and create their own worship or reflection spaces.

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One to one

Bespoke training in your school

Bespoke training

Purpose: To provide expert advice on a one to one basis.

This could include anything from recruitment to a financial review, or SEND to data advice.

Enquiries: Please email office@boat.academy for more information.

If there is something you need or could give support for, please let us know.



BOAT – Sailing on

Next steps for leaders and governors

Pioneers: BOAT Builders

Purpose: Senior leaders to work strategically together to shape the trust

Leader: David Etherton

Time: TBC

We are looking for inspirational, pioneering leaders who want to shape our trust, and support our strategic priorities, as it becomes established. We want school leaders who want to use their expertise and collaborate for the benefit all.

Ambitious leaders are invited to join, drive and help co-lead our new trust and our school to school improvement work. The initial 'pioneer' working party will meet in January 2023. If you want to be part of this group, or have any questions, please be in touch.

Booking: Please contact david.etherton@boat.academy to discuss.

BOAT Q&A for Governors and Senior Leaders

Purpose: To give governors and senior leaders the opportunity to find out more about the trust.

Leader: David Etherton

Time: TBC

Location: Your school / nearby school

Many Chair of Governors and Headteachers will have attended the Diocese of Chichester Academies Roadshow. This is an opportunity for governing bodies and senior leadership teams to find out more about the Bishop Otter Academy Trust.

Booking: Please email office@boat.academy to liaise about a suitable time and date

Recommended training

Training from third parties

Please refer to the BOAT bulletins for further information on additional training.

For more information

Please be in touch! Email: office@boat.academy

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