

Director: Mr Trevor Cristin

Dear Colleagues,

We have been very busy with our Leavers Celebration Services, and it has been lovely for us to catch up with so many of you. Thank you for your support and the encouragement that you have given us- it means a lot. We're also highly aware of how busy you all are and how hectic the next few weeks will be, so I am aiming to be brief.

Firstly, I would like to remind you that our Diocesan briefing for the summer term takes place on Thursday the 13th of July at 4:30pm. You can access it via <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/619594432627>

Once again, given the time of year, we aim to keep this concise. During the briefing we will cover

- The NPQ opportunities offered across the Diocese.
- OFSTED update.
- Buildings update
- SIAMS update.

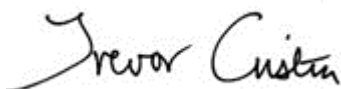
Please do sign up as it is always valuable for us to feel we have shared the information that we need to with you.

At the Briefing we will be joined by Richard Jackson from the Church of England Education Office as he wants to offer more information on some of the NPQ Opportunities that are available to our schools. The suite of training opportunities cover many aspects of school leadership and we are now able to signpost you in the direction of Aquinas Trust operating on the eastern side of the diocese and Bishop Luffa on the western side. A particularly exciting innovation is NPQ Small- this is specifically aimed at schools with less than 150 pupils and is a creative way of delivering training without incurring the significant costs of staff release. It also brings with it a grant of £800 per candidate for small schools.

So, Richard will be talking about this further at the Briefing, but details are in the email I sent recently, and links are included elsewhere in this Enews. We are happy to answer any questions that we can or signpost you to the right source of information. However, if you are going to pursue NPQ Small in particular, we would be very grateful if you could inform us directly as well as complete the application. The Diocese has reserved 30 places on the national programme, and it would be good to be able to ensure that we know how these have been taken. As I said, we are happy to talk further if that will help.

I hope that the next few weeks will be both happy, rewarding and joyful for you and your children. Please do take care of yourselves and remember that we are here if ever you need to ring for a chat or offload.

Your sincerely,



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