

2025/2026 Professional Development for Schools and Trusts

HOW TO BOOK

To book on a course/event go to <https://www.rdbe.org.uk/course-booking>

This is the only way to book a course. Use the calendar to navigate to the course you wish to book, click on the course name and complete the form to book. All courses show as 'free', but each has an associated cost which applies to those schools who do not subscribe to the partnership agreement – see the individual course information for more details. Please contact Louise Liddy (louise.liddy@rochester.anglican.org) with any queries.

It is essential that you book on courses in advance of attending, and that you cancel if you are unable to attend. We are committed to serving you and to providing good hospitality at all of our training events, our ability to do this is significantly hindered if we do not have accurate attendance figures in advance. Booking for face to face event will close 7 days in advance (earlier for some conferences). Cancellations must be received 48 hours prior to training, or the full cost will be payable.

CHARGING STRUCTURE

As laid out in our [partnership agreement](#), the majority of our 2025/26 Professional Development is being offered free of charge to our Partnership Schools. Where we are unable to provide an event for free, it is significantly discounted for Partnership Schools. Schools not subscribing to the Partnership Agreement should see the booking page on the website for individual course charges

ON DEMAND TRAINING

The 'on demand' training offer is being developed. It can be accessed by logging into the website [here](#). The following on demand training is available now:

Leadership:

- New to Church School Governor Training

RE:

- Islam UKS2 subject knowledge and planning support
- Islam KS1 subject knowledge and planning support
- Sikhi LKS2 subject knowledge and planning support
- Hindu Dharma LKS2 subject knowledge and planning support
- Teaching Judaism KS2
- Teaching Judaism KS1
- Effective RE in EYFS

There are also other items in this section, including training slides and resources from previous training, and Grove Books.

If you are the leader of a partnership subscribing school and you do not have a log on to this area of the website, please contact Louise Liddy. It is not practical for us to provide multiple log in's for each school, you are therefore welcome to share this log in within your school, but please do not share it outside of your school. This is very important as we have strict licensing agreements for some of the content in this area.

If you do not subscribe to the partnership, the training listed above is available at cost of £50 per video, please contact Louise Liddy or Gemma Hitch to arrange purchase.

2025/26 Quick Reference Training List (Date order)

Date	Training	Time	Venue
15 th September	Climate Action Plan Workshop Part 1	1.30 – 2.30	Online: Zoom
26 th September 2025	InspiREd 2025 Cohort session 4	9.30 – 3.30	Online: Zoom
30 th September 2025	Help! I'm the new RE leader	9:00-12:00	Rochester Diocese Office
30 th September 2025	Help! I'm the new Collective Worship leader	1.00 – 4.00	Rochester Diocese Office
3 rd October 2025	Church School Leaders Network	8.30 – 10.30	Holiday Inn, Maidstone
7 th October 2025	Governor Forum	8.30 – 9.30	Online: Zoom
9 th October 2025	Climate Action Plan Workshop Part 2	1.30 – 3.00	Online: Zoom
9 th October 2025	Collective Worship Leaders Network Meeting	4.00 – 5.30	Online: Zoom
10 th October 2025	New to Church School Headship	9.30 – 3.30	Rochester Diocese Office
29 th -30 th October 2025	Mental Health First Aid Training	9:30-5.00	Rochester Diocese Office
3 rd November 2025	Teaching using a world views approach session 1	9.30 – 3.30	Rochester Diocese Office
12 th November 2025	Preparing for your SIAMS inspection	9.30 – 3.30	St Faith's, Maidstone
13 th November 2025	RE Leaders Network	4.00 – 5.30	Online: Zoom
20 th November 2025	Developing Spirituality	9.30 – 3.30	St Benedict's Centre, West Malling
26 th November	Understanding Christianity	9.30 – 3.00	Rochester Diocese Office
28 th November 2025	InspiREd 2025 Cohort session 5	9.30 – 3.30	Online: Zoom
1 st December 2025	World Views Approach session 2	9:30-3:30	Rochester Diocese Office
16 th January 2026	Church School Leaders Network	8.30 – 10.30	Holiday Inn, Maidstone
23 rd January 2026	InspiREd 2026 Cohort Session 1	9.30 – 3.30	Online: Zoom
30 th January 2026	New to Church School Headship	9.30 – 3.30	Rochester Diocese Office
4 th February 2026	Governor Forum	8.30 – 9.30	Online: Zoom

6th February 2026	Christian Character Conference	9.30 – 3.00	Lenham Community Centre
10th February 2026	IQ5 Justice and Responsibility	1:00-4:00	Rochester Diocese Office
27th February 2026	InspiREd 2026 Cohort Session 2	9.30 – 3.30	Online: Zoom
13th March 2026	RE Leaders Conference	9.30 – 3.00	Lenham Community Centre
18th March 2026	Leading Collective Worship and supporting in SEN	9:30-3:30	Rochester Diocese Office
25th March 2026	Christianity basics (for all)	1:00-4:00	Rochester Diocese Office
24th April 2026	InspiREd 2026 Cohort Session 3	9.30 – 3.30	Online: Zoom
6th May 2026	Preparing for your SIAMS inspection	9.30 – 3.30	St Faith's, Maidstone
19th May 2026	Collective Worship Leaders Network Meeting	4.00 – 5.30	Online: Zoom
5th June 2026	Church School Leaders Network	8.30 – 10.30	Holiday Inn, Maidstone
9th June 2026	RE Leaders Network	4.00 – 5.30	Online: Zoom
11th June 2026	Governor Forum	8.30 – 9.30	Online: Zoom
12th June 2026	New to Church School Headship	9.30 – 3.30	Rochester Diocese Office