



LDBS SCHOOLS BULLETIN

June 2017

Please pass this bulletin on to all members of the leadership team,
governors and Heads of RE / RE Co-ordinators

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Message from Inigo Woolf

Welcome back from your half term breaks.

This week a General Election is being held and the manifestos of each political party indicate that schools will see more policy changes. It would appear that the outcome of the National Funding Formula consultation has had a positive effect and we wait to see what the implications are for schools in London. We hope that the 20% of schools that were set to benefit will not see their increases in funding cut back.

Every two years we conduct a school satisfactory survey on the services we provide. We look forward to receiving your views by 20th June 2017.



LDBS News

We would like to welcome:

Executive Headteachers, Headteachers & Heads of School

Name	Position	School	LA
Emily Wright	Interim Headteacher	Stepney Greencoat Primary School	Tower Hamlets

Congratulations

Ofsted and SIAMS inspection Grades

We offer our congratulations to the following schools who were rated either 'Outstanding' or 'Good' in their recent OFSTED or SIAMS inspections.

- Millbrook Park Primary School, Barnet – Outstanding (SIAMS)
- Princess Frederica Primary School, Brent – Good (SIAMS)
- Twyford High School, Ealing – Outstanding (SIAMS)

DfE consultation on primary school assessment

This consultation is asking for views on issues related to assessment in primary schools, including:

- the best starting point to measure the progress that pupils make at primary school
- the role and operation of teacher assessment
- how to build on the strengths of the early years foundation stage profile
- how we can support and improve end-of-key-stage teacher assessment, including the assessment of writing

The full consultation can be found at: <https://consult.education.gov.uk/assessment-policy-and-development/primary-assessment/>

We urge individual schools to respond before the closing date: **22nd June 2017**.

The LDBS will also submit a response. Please let us have copies of your responses and key points by emailing Kate Roskell on kate.roskell@london.anglican.org before 19th June 2017 so that we can include your concerns.

School Satisfaction Survey 2017

The [School Satisfaction Survey](#) is now live and we hope that every school will participate. The survey should take no more than 15 minutes and will provide the LDBS with valuable insights into our service and performance. In a change for 2017 the survey is now open to all school staff and governors, so please encourage as many people as possible to complete it. Please respond by 20th June 2017.

Accommodation available to Rent

We have a double bedroom in a three bedroom first floor flat with shared amenities available to rent from **19th June 2017**. Currently the other two rooms are occupied. There is a kitchen, living room, bathroom with a toilet and a cloak room for sharing with other tenants. The rent will be £700 per month including all bills (gas, electricity, water, council tax and tv licence) except telephone and broadband. Rent should be paid monthly in advance by standing order. No tenancy deposit is required. An application form will have to be completed providing ID and address proofs and passport copy for right-to-rent check. References are required. Preference will be given to Teachers and School staff.

The address is: SCHOOL HOUSE, 4 JOHNS MEWS, HOLBORN, LONDON, WC1N 2NX (next to St George the Martyr Church of England Primary School).

Other accommodations including another room and a studio flat may be available to rent from July/August. If you are interested, please contact Dee Thomas at LDBS on 020 7932 1168, Mobile 07796170159 or email dee.thomas@london.anglican.org

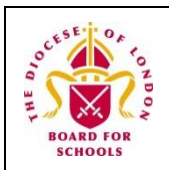
LDBS Headteachers' Conference

Please hold the 7th – 9th March 2018 in your diary for the next residential LDBS Headteachers' Conference at Sandbanks in Poole. More details will be available in the Autumn term.

Kick London and the Diocese of London

As part of Sport Priority of Capital Vision 2020 the Diocese of London is working with Kick London to increase the impact of Christian based sport and physical activity ministry in church schools. Kick London delivers PE national curriculum, street dance and solutions focused mentoring laced with Christian values both in and out of school hours, including holiday programmes. Kick's values based approach supports SMSC development, helping schools to meet OFSTED and SIAMS criteria. Kick currently works in 40 schools with 6,000 young people a week across London and the diocese is keen to see its work with both church schools and parishes expand.

For more information or to get Kick going in your school contact Joe Lowther at joelowther@kicklondon.org.uk or visit the website: www.kicklondon.org.uk



Safeguarding Advice

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If you have any safeguarding queries please do contact your link adviser or Helen Ridding by email on Helen.ridding@london.anglican.org

Safeguarding training for governors

Whilst we would always recommend face-to-face training if at all possible, for those of you unable to attend GB training on safeguarding please take a look at a free email course provided by Andrew Hall, Safeguarding expert. The course consists of short sessions over ten weeks. For more information or to sign up please visit: www.safe24.org/emailcourse



Religious Education and Collective Worship

New RE Leaders course (primary schools)

On **29th September 2017** (1.30pm-4pm) Mary Thorne will be running a course for New RE Leaders in primary schools. This session will look at the roles and responsibilities of the RE subject leader and the distinctiveness of leading RE in a church school. A flyer with further details is available in the document section of the bulletin. If you would like more details or to book a place please email valentina.colussi@london.anglican.org

RE Syllabus

More RE Syllabus units have been uploaded to the LDBS website with more units expected soon. To access the units please visit the Policies and Downloads section on the [LDBS website](#) and select 'RE Syllabus 2017' from the drop down category menu.

School Worship Calendar 2017-18

The new [School Worship Calendar for 2017-18](#) is now available on the LDBS website and in the Document section of this Bulletin. The document lists key religious, historical and national dates for the entire academic year and is a useful resource for teachers.

NATRE Membership

Do you have NATRE membership? If you recommend a friend you will get £20 high street shopping vouchers and the new member will get a free curriculum book plus all the NATRE membership benefits you enjoy including:

- Termly *REToday* magazine, focuses on classroom practice and current RE-related news.
- Termly curriculum book full of practical classroom activities
- Monthly e-newsletters and termly Headteacher and governor e-briefings
- Downloadable resources
- Access to advice from RE Advisers
- Discounts on a variety of CPD opportunities, online seminars, and Articles of Faith items.
- Assessment guidance
- Subject leaders' toolkit and resources

For more information please visit the [NATRE website](#).



Grow Education Partners

Website: www.grow-education.org



: @Grow_Education

Grow Training and Development Programme

The 2017/18 Grow Training Brochure will be sent out to schools at the beginning of June. The programme has been specially designed to provide Continuous Professional Development opportunities for Teachers, members of Senior Leadership Teams and Newly Qualified Teachers. This year, following requests from schools, we have included training for Designated Safeguarding Leaders.

To book course places please visit the Grow Education Partners website by clicking [here](#).

Grow Education Partners Service Provision

The new Grow Education Partners booklet for 2017-18 has now been sent out to all schools. The booklet provides the packages and services that Grow is offering to schools this coming academic year.

To sign up to one of these packages contact Jack Cracknell by [email](#) or telephone him on 020 7932 1175.

Headteacher Performance Management Review Service

Grow will be supporting Headteacher Performance Management again this year and schools who are interested in using this service are encouraged to get in touch as soon as possible. To book this service there are [3 options](#):

1. Schools using package to fund review: no additional cost (minimum of one day of support will be used)
2. Schools who have purchased a Grow support package: £600 (excluding VAT)
3. Schools who have not purchased a Grow support package: £650 (excluding VAT)

For more information or to book a review please email grow@london.anglican.org



Governors & Governance

Governors' Training Programme

The training programme has been constructed to reflect the key messages in government guidance. We will add sessions during the year, and would particularly draw your attention to the following sessions:

2016/17 SUMMER SCHEDULE

Thursday 15 th June 2017	10am – 12noon	Headteacher appraisal – the role of governors
Tuesday 20 th June 2017	10am – 12.30pm	Reviewing the quality and impact of your governance
Tuesday 20 th June 2017	1.30pm – 3.30pm	Reviewing your governance structures

2017/18 AUTUMN SCHEDULE

Wednesday 13 th September 2017	1.30pm – 4pm	Headteacher appraisal – the role of governors
Tuesday 19 th September 2017	9am – 4pm	Safer Recruitment
Monday 25 th September 2017	1.30pm – 4pm	New Chairs of Governors
Thursday 12 th October 2017	2pm – 4pm	Ofsted – the New Inspector Process
Tuesday 31 st October 2017	10am – 12.30pm	Strategic Financial Management for recently appointed Governors
Tuesday 14 th November 2017	10am – 3.30pm	New governors – introductory course
Thursday 16 th November 2017	10am – 12.30pm	Understanding Data to include RAISE online and the Inspector Dashboard for Primary Schools only
Thursday 16 th November 2017	1.30pm – 4pm	SIAMS
Monday 27 th November 2017	10am -12noon	Making Sense of Data (secondary schools): including RAISE online, inspection dashboard and performance tables
Thursday 7 th December 2017	9am – 4pm	Safer Recruitment

Further details and an application form can be found on the [LDBS website](#).

Filling a LDBS Foundation Governor Vacancy

Does your school have a LDBS Foundation Governor vacancy? The LDBS has a governor pool of over 20 prospective governors looking to volunteer in Church of England schools. Each of these candidates has already been approved by the Appointments Panel and are waiting to find a suitable school. If you would like to see the governor pool database please email governor.appointments@london.anglican.org or telephone: 0207 932 1159.

Recruitment Drive for LDBS Foundation Governors

Do you know anyone who would be interested in becoming an LDBS Foundation governor in one of our schools? We are looking for candidates who:



- Support the faith and traditions of Christianity and can promote and develop the Christian ethos of Church of England schools.
- Have a strong commitment to improving children's educational achievement and life-chances.
- Have a strong commitment to the role with time to attend meetings and training and occasionally visit the school during school hours.
- Have good interpersonal skills with ability to question and analyse.
- Contribute constructively to board and committee meetings and accept collective responsibility for decisions.
- Have competent levels of literacy in English and Numeracy.

- Have the skills required to contribute to the effective governance and success and their particular school.

We are always looking for potential applicants to fill one of our vacancies, whether in your school or another school nearby. If you know someone in the school or local community who would be interested in taking on this role please do put them in touch with us and we will contact them about the [appointment process](#). Email Leanne Gowar or Valentina Colussi on governor.appointments@london.anglican.org or telephone 020 7932 1159.

Governing Body Minutes

Please send your governing body minutes directly to Leanne Gowar by post to: LDBS, 36 Causton Street, Pimlico, London, SW1P 4AU or email them to leanne.gowar@london.anglican.org

	<p>Teaching London</p> <p>Website: http://www.teachinglondon.org/</p> <p>: @LDBSSCITT</p>
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Applications for the Assessment-Only Route (AOR) to Qualified Teacher Status (QTS) for Primary and Secondary teachers can be made at any time in the year

Suitable for unqualified, experienced teachers, including those who trained abroad, who need to gain QTS. Candidates can apply for this route at any point throughout the year – and can gain QTS in their current school by portfolio and assessed practice. The whole process can be completed in one term.

If you are:

- ✓ An unqualified teacher with at least two years' teaching experience in two schools
- ✓ An experienced teacher, with a degree, who can achieve qualified teacher status (QTS) *without* any further training

then apply now and you could be qualified within twelve weeks.

Contact us now for further information: Tel: 0207 932 1126; Email: admin@teachinglondon.org

Interested in teacher training but can't manage without a salary?

We are now taking applications for PART TIME School Direct (salaried and tuition fee)

If you would like to train part time, over two academic years, then this flexible route is for you. In your first year you will spend two days each week working within your placement school and one day each week in central training. In year two, you will spend two days per week in school with the option to combine days for a block placement if you wish. You will be able to do your PGCE too and when you are not at school you can work in paid employment.

You can spread the cost of the tuition fee over the two years and you will still be eligible to receive a bursary and student loan. If you are salaried, your salary will also be paid over two years and you will not have to pay any course fees.

If you would like to know more about how you could train to teach part time, then get in touch now:

Tel: 0207 932 1126; Email: admin@teachinglondon.org



Resources and Educational Programmes

Supporting children worried about terrorism

Following the terrorist attack in Manchester, NSPCC published some guidance to help parents talk to their children about recent events. For more information please visit the [NSPCC website](#).

Inspiring Pupil Voice

With elections high on the news agenda schools may be interested in Votes for Schools.

A weekly VotePack in PowerPoint format (primary and secondary versions) provides resources for SMSC, British Values, Prevent, Pupil Voice and supports PSHE and Citizenship teaching. The VotePack includes:

- 15 minute lesson plan
- 45 minute lesson plan
- Cross-curriculum map
- Curriculum checklist
- VoteDiary

Schools are delivering VotesforSchools in Tutor Time, Assembly, PSHE and Citizenship lessons. It is also ideal for a whole school approach. The free general election resources are available on the [VoteforSchools website](#), labelled secondary but can be adapted for primary schools too.

Maths Hub London Central and North West St Marylebone School Alliance

Mixed attainment teaching & Mastery Key Stage 3

At St Marylebone, the way Year 7 and 8 are taught Maths has been changed, moving from setting to mixed attainment groups. The change reflects their work and commitment to Mastery in Maths. For more information please read the National Centre for Excellence in the Teaching of Mathematics (NCEM) report about the Maths Hubs findings on the following link: <https://www.ncetm.org.uk/resources/49959>

St Marylebone are holding two open house events entitled *Observing Shanghai style KS3 Mastery in Maths Training* where you can come and see a lesson being co-planned, delivered and debriefed on the following dates:

- Friday 16th June 2017 from 10.50am to 15.30pm (more information and to book a place please visit: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/free-observing-shanghai-style-ks3-mastery-in-maths-teaching-tickets-34273369571?aff=es2>)
- Friday 23rd June 2017 from 10.50am to 15.30pm (more information and to book a place please visit: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/free-observing-shanghai-style-ks3-mastery-in-maths-teaching-tickets-34273551114?aff=es2>)

For more information on all the projects the Maths Hub is currently involved in please visit their [website](#).

Class Careers - Online Careers Workshops

Class Careers is a social enterprise that gives your students direct access to employers at no cost to your school. Primarily, Class Careers works with big employers who offer viable alternatives to university – such as apprenticeships or school leaver schemes – to inform students about the different options available to them.

The group have joined up with companies to provide online careers workshops for pupils in Years 9, 10 and 11. The workshops are designed to fit effortlessly into the curriculum and are complete with comprehensive lesson plan and guide.

Lloyds Banking Group – Friday 30th June

Students will gain an insight into the world of banking and associated roles and what it's like to work within Lloyds Banking Group. Recent graduates and current apprentices will be available online to answer students' questions. You can register for specified time slots throughout the day for these workshops. Please book one ticket per student. Workshops last for 1 hour. To register or for more information visit the [Eventbrite page](#).

Your Life – Friday 7th July – Careers for the 21st Century

Students can chat to representatives from a wide range of industries (eg Carillon, BAE Industries, Johnson & Johnson, Nestle, and Shell) to find out about the skills, qualities and the qualifications required to enter specific roles. Your Life will also introduce a new app - Future Finder - to support students to make GCSE and A Level choices. You can register for specified time slots during the day for these workshops. Please book one ticket per student. Workshops last for 1 hour. To register or for more information visit the [Eventbrite page](#).

Two further workshops are being planned and details will be available shortly on the Class Careers website:

- British Racing School – Tuesday 4th July
- Cardiff University – Thursday 13th July

For more information please visit the [Class Careers website](#) or call Marion Smith on 07906 131 912.

Free Entry to English Heritage Sites

English Heritage offer free entry to pre-booked schools and other learning groups at any of the historic places in their care. For more information please visit the [English Heritage website](#).

Wigmore Hall Learning

Wigmore Hall Learning gives people of all ages, backgrounds and abilities opportunities to take part in creative music making. The Trust leads a wide range of innovative projects and events, both in the community and at Wigmore Hall, for young children, families, schools, young people and adults. For more information or to download the Autumn 2017 brochure please visit the [Wigmore Hall website](#).



Upcoming events

The Great Get Together (16th – 18th June 2017)

Near Neighbours is joining with the Jo Cox Foundation in inviting schools and communities to hold a Great Get Together. The event marks the anniversary of the murder of Jo Cox MP and celebrates her message that we have more in common than divides us. Schools are being asked to take part by holding a special assembly on Friday 16th June 2017. For more details and to register your school please visit the [Great Get Together website](#). For more school activity ideas please visit the [Church Urban Fund website](#).

Secondary Headteachers' & Secondary Deputy/Assistant Headteachers' Meetings 2016-17

Secondary Headteacher meeting dates are listed below and are held at London Diocesan House. Secondary Deputy / Assistant Headteacher meetings are run jointly with Southwark Diocese Board of Education (SDBE), the venues are listed below.

Refreshments are available 30 minutes before the start of each meeting. To register for any of these meetings, to suggest agenda items or to join the mailing list please email kate.roskell@london.anglican.org.

Secondary Headteachers' Meetings

Thursday 15 th June 2017	2.30 – 4.30pm	London Diocesan House, 36 Causton Street, SW1P 4AU
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Secondary Deputy / Assistant Headteachers' Meetings

Thursday 29 th June 2017	9.30 – 11.30am	London Diocesan House, 36 Causton Street, SW1P 4AU
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Secondary Heads of Sixth Form Network Meeting

The next Heads of 6th Form network meeting will be held at the LDBS offices in Pimlico on Monday 3rd July 2017 from 2.30pm to 4.30pm.

Refreshments are available 30 minutes before the start of each meeting. To register for any of these meetings, to suggest agenda items or to join the mailing list please email kate.roskell@london.anglican.org.



Reminders

LDBS Newsletter

We really enjoy hearing about our schools and their achievements, whether they are academic, sporting, musical or just entertaining. If any school would like to send us pieces of work e.g. outstanding poems, newspaper cuttings, news items, a special card or poem that your children have made – these would be a great feature. The next issue of the Newsletter will include a feature on Spring events. Please send all items by post, email or fax to: Mitch Gallacher at LDBS, Diocesan House, 36 Causton Street, London, SW1P 4AU; Fax: 020 7932 1111; Email: mitch.gallacher@london.anglican.org *Please make sure you have parental permission for any photos.*

School Anniversaries in 2018

Are you celebrating a significant anniversary in 2018? If you are celebrating in 2018 please let us know by emailing leanne.gowar@london.anglican.org.

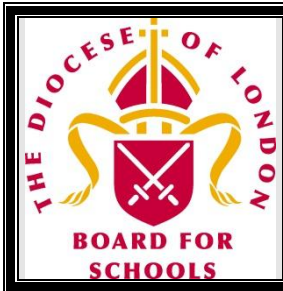
Determined Admissions Policies

Please remember to send a copy of your determined arrangements to Penny Harvey as soon as possible (email: penny.harvey@london.anglican.org). You will also need to send a copy to your Local Authority.



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London Diocesan Board for Schools

Subject Leadership: Course for New RE Leaders

New to RE Leadership?

The LDBS would like to invite all new RE Leaders to a course designed to help you in your new role. This session will look at the roles and responsibilities of the RE subject leader and the distinctiveness of leading RE in a church school.

Subject Leadership: Course for New RE Leaders

Friday 29th September 2017

**London Diocesan House
(36 Causton Street, Pimlico, SW1P 4AU)**

1.30pm to 4.00pm

There is no charge for this meeting.

Attendance Form

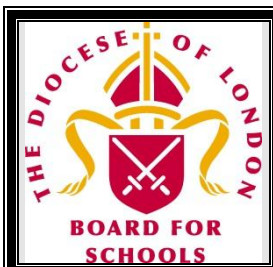
I will be attending 'Subject Leadership: Course for New RE Leaders'
on Friday 29th September 2017.

NAME:
(first name) (surname)

SCHOOL _____ LA _____

CONTACT TEL No. _____ EMAIL: _____

To book a place on this course please fill in the above form and return by fax on 020 7932 1111 or post: LDBS, London Diocesan House, 36 Causton Street, London, SW1P 4AU. Alternatively email Valentina Colussi on valentina.colussi@london.anglican.org giving details of the course you would like to book onto.



London Diocesan Board for Schools

School Worship Calendar 2017-18

2017: International Year of Sustainable Tourism for Development

2017: UK-India Year of Culture

Date	Event	Suggested Theme	Bible Reference
1 st September – 4 th October	Creation Season		
2 nd September	Eid il Adha	Islamic Festival	
5 th September	International Day of Charity	http://www.un.org/en/events/charityday/	
6 th September	Read a Book Day	Reading	
8 th September	Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Joy	Luke 1 v46-55
	International Literacy Day	Reading & Understanding	Daniel 5 v 5-8
9 th September	Teddy Bear Day		
10 th September	Education Sunday	www.cte.org.uk	Luke 15 v1-10
13 th September	Roald Dahl Day	Reading	
14 th September	Holy Cross Day	The Cross of Christ	Mark 8 v34-35
16 th September	National Teaching Assistants Day	Teaching	
18 th – 24 th September	National Eye Health Week	Vision (12 th October: World Vision Day)	
21 st September	St Matthew	Forgiveness	Matthew 9 v9-13
	International Day of Peace	Peace www.internationaldayofpeace.org	John 14 v27
	World Gratitude Day	Thank You	Luke 17 v 12-19
	Rosh Hashanah	Jewish New Year	Micah 7 v18-20
22 nd September	World Car Free Day	http://www.worldcarfree.net/wcfd/	
	Autumn Equinox	Season	Ecclesiastes 3 v1-8
	Jeans for Genes	www.jeansforgenesday.com	
23 rd September – 23 rd October	Seed gathering Season	www.treecouncil.org.uk	Isaiah 61 v11
26 th September	European Day of Languages	Communications http://edl.ecml.at/	Acts 2 v5-6
28 th September	National Poetry Day	Freedom http://nationalpoetryday.co.uk/wp/about-npd/	
29 th September	World Heart Day	http://worldheartday.org/	
	St Michael and All Angels	Remembrance	Revelation 12 v7-9
30 th September	Yom Kippur	Jewish Day of Atonement	Leviticus 16 v 30
1 st – 31 st October	Fair Trade Month		
	Black History Month	Everyone made in Gods image http://www.blackhistorymonth.org.uk/	Galatians 3 v25
	International walk to school month	Being healthy http://www.walktoschool.co.uk	
	The Big Draw	Living Lines: An Animated Draw Festival http://www.thebigdraw.org/organise-an-event	

Date	Event	Suggested Theme	Bible Reference
1 st October	International Day of Older Persons	Anna at the Temple http://www.un.org/en/events/olderpersonsday/	Luke 2 v36-38
2 nd October	World Architecture Day		Ephesians 2 v20-21
3 rd October	World Habitat Day	The environment / <i>Cities and Climate Change</i> https://unhabitat.org/world-habitat-day/	Luke 12 v6-7
4 th October	St Francis		Luke 12 v23-24
	World Animal Day	www.worldanimalday.org.uk	Genesis 1 v24-25
4-10 th October	World Space Week	Exploring New Worlds in Space www.spaceweek.org	
5 th October	World Teachers' Day		Acts 4 v1-2
	First Day of Sukkot	Judaism	Exodus 40 v 38
6 th October	William Tyndale	Translating the Bible	2 Timothy 3 v14-15
	World Smile Day	Acts of Kindness www.worldsmileday.com	Luke 12 v23-26
8 th – 16 th October	Week of Prayer for World Peace	http://www.weekofprayerforworldpeace.com/dates.html	
9 th October	World Post Day	http://www.upu.int/en/the-upu/world-post-day/about-wpd.html	Epistles in the New Testament
9 th – 14 th October	Libraries Week	Discovery http://www.librariesweek.org.uk/	
9 th – 15 th October	British Egg Week	www.britegg.co.uk	
10 th October	World Mental Health Day	www.mentalhealth.org.uk	
13 th October	Simchat Torah	Judaism	Deuteronomy 34 v10-12
	World Sight Day	Make Vision Count http://www.vision2020uk.org.uk/	Mark 8 v22-26
14-29 th October	Family Learning Festival	www.campaign-for-learning.org.uk/cfl/flf/index.asp	
16 th October	World Food Day	Sustainable Food Systems http://www.wfp.org/WorldFoodDay	Mark 6 v35-43
16-22 nd October	National Baking Week	www.nationalbakingweek.co.uk	Exodus 12 v37-39
	National Adoption Week	www.nationaladoptionweek.org.uk	Ephesians 1 v4-5
18 th October	St Luke	The doctor	Luke 1 v1-4
19 th October	Diwali	Hinduism	
	Conflict Resolution Day		
21 st October	Apple Day	http://www.national-awareness-days.com/apple-day.html	Psalms 17 v8
22 nd October	Everyone Writes Day		
23 rd – 29 th October	One World Week	www.oneworldweek.org	
28 th October	St Simon & Jude		Ephesians 2 v19-22
31 st October	All Hallows Eve		
	Reformation Day	500 th Anniversary of the Reformation http://www.reformation500.uk/	
1 st November	All Saints	Remembrance	Matthew 5 v1-12
2 nd November	All Souls	Remembrance	Psalms 23
5 th November	Bonfire Night		
11 th November	Armistice Day	War and Peace	Psalms 62 v6-8
12 th November	Remembrance Sunday – 2 nd before Advent	The parable of the sower	Matthew 13 v1-9, v18-23
12 th – 19 th November	Inter Faith Week	https://www.interfaithweek.org/	

Date	Event	Suggested Theme	Bible Reference
13 th November	World Kindness Day		
13 th – 17 th November	Anti-Bullying Week	Power for Good www.antibullyingweek.co.uk	Luke 19 v1-10,
	National School Meals Week	http://www.thegreatschoolslunch.co.uk/	John 6 v 1-13
16 th November	International day for Tolerance	http://www.un.org/en/events/tolerance/day/	Proverbs 16 v23-24
	International Day for the Abolition of slavery	http://www.un.org/en/events/slaveryabolitionday/	1 Corinthians 12 v12-13
20 th November	Universal Children's Day	http://www.un.org/en/events/childrenday/	Mark 10 v13-16
	Christ the King		Luke 23 v33-43
20 th – 26 th November	Road Safety Week	Speed Down Safe Lives	
21 st November	World Hello Day	http://www.worldhelloday.org/	
23 rd November	St Clement	Loyalty	Philippians 4 v2-3
24 th November	Buy Nothing Day	http://www.buynothingday.co.uk/	Luke 12 v 17-29

Year B begins

Date	Event	Suggested Theme	Bible Reference
30 th November	St Andrew's	Fishers of Men	Mark 1 v16-18
1 st December	World AIDS Day	https://www.worldaidsday.org/events	
3 rd December	1 st Sunday of Advent (Year B)	Signs and Wonders	Matthew 24 v23-27
6 th December	St Nicholas	Bringer of gifts	Mark 10 v13-16
8 th December	Feast of the Immaculate Conception		Isaiah 7 v14
10 th December	Human Rights Day	http://www.un.org/en/events/humanrightsday/	
	2 nd Sunday of Advent	John the Baptist	Matthew 11 v2-11
12 th December – 20 th December	Hanukkah	The miracle of light	
13 th December	St Lucy	Light	2 Corinthians 4 v6
17 th December	3 rd Sunday of Advent	The Witness	Matthew 11 v2-5
21 st December	December Solstice	Season	
	St Thomas		
24 th December	4 th Sunday of Advent	Joseph's Dream	Matthew 1 v18-21
25 th December	Christmas Day		
28 th December	Holy Innocents		

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1 st January	New Year's Day		
4 th January	World Braille Day		
6 th January	The Epiphany	The Wise Men	Matthew 2 v1-12
7 th January	Orthodox Christmas Day	Christianity	
8 th January	Baptism of Christ		Matthew 3 v13-17
14 th January	Orthodox New Year		
16 th January	World Religion Day		
18-25 th January	Week of prayer for Christian Unity	Crossing Barriers www.ctbi.org.uk	
25 th January	St Paul's Day	Conversion of St Paul	Acts 9 v1-9
27 th January	Holocaust Memorial Day	The Power of Words www.hmd.org.uk	
2 nd February	Candlemas	Light of Christ	Luke 2 v25-35

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13 th February	Shrove Tuesday / Carnival	Christianity	
14 th February	Ash Wednesday	Christianity	Matthew 6 v1-4
	St Valentine	Love	John 3 v16
14 th – 21 st February	National Nest Box Week	https://www.bto.org/about-birds/nnbw	
16 th February	Chinese New Year	The Year of the Dog	
21 st February	International Mother Language Day	www.unesco.co.uk/education	
1 st March – 13 th April	Lent		
1 st March	St David's	Patron Saint of Wales	2 Samuel 23 v1
	Purim	Courage	Esther
2 nd March	World Book Day	http://www.worldbookday.com/	
11 th March	Mothering Sunday		Exodus 2 v1-10
17 th March	St Patrick's	Patron Saint of Ireland	Luke 10 v1
19 th March	St Joseph	Fathers and Carers	Matthew 1 v18-21
20 th March	St Cuthbert	Lost Sheep	Matthew 18 v12-14
20 th March	Spring Equinox	Seasons	Genesis 1 v14-19
22 nd March	World Water Day	Nature-based Solutions for Water http://www.unwater.org/campaigns/world-water-day/en/	Hosea 6 v3
	Earth Day		
25 th March	The Annunciation	The Angel appears to Mary	Luke 1 v26-33
25 th March	Palm Sunday	Betrayal	Matthew 26 v14-19
29 th March	Maundy Thursday	The Last Supper	Matthew 26 v20-28
30 th March	Good Friday	Crucifixion	Matthew 27 v 21-31
31 st March	Holy Saturday		
31 st March – 7 th April	Passover	Judaism	Exodus 12 v11-14
1 st April	Easter Sunday	Resurrection	Matthew 28 v1-8
21 st April	The Queen's Birthday – 92 years	The Royal Family	Psalms 72 v1-7
23 rd April	St George	Patron Saint of England	Ephesians 6 v10-20
	Shakespeare Day		
25 th April	St Mark	Spreading the word of God	Acts 12 v24-25
1 st May	May Day		
	St Philip & St James	Spreading the word	John 12 v20-24
10 th May	Ascension Day	Christianity	Acts 1 v1-11
14 th May	St Matthias	Becoming an apostle	Acts 1 v15-17
17 th May	International Day Against Homophobia & Transphobia	http://dayagainsthomophobia.org/	
20 th May	Pentecost	The Holy Spirit	Acts 2 v1-4
16 th May – 14 th June	Ramadan	Islam	
27 th May	Trinity Sunday	Christianity	Romans 5 v1-5
31 st May	Corpus Christi	Celebration of Holy Communion	I Corinthians 11 v23-26
8 th June	World Ocean Day	http://www.worldoceansday.org/	Genesis 1 v9-10
11 th June	St Barnabas	The companion	Acts 14 v11-15
15 th June	Eid al Fitr	The end of Ramadan	
17 th June	Father's Day	Love	Genesis 3 v1-4
21 st June	Summer Solstice		
22 nd June	St Alban	Prayer	Matthew 6 v7-15
24 th June	St John the Baptist		

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29 th June	St Peter & St Paul	Faith	Acts 12 v1-11
3 rd July	St Thomas	Doubt	John 20 v24-29
11 th July	St Benedict	Laying foundations	1 Corinthians 3 v10-11
14 th July	John Keble	A guide for living	Matthew 5 v1-8
	Bastille Day	Freedom	
	Emmeline Pankhurst Day	Freedom (women's votes)	
15 th July	St Swithun	Weather	Romans 16 v25-27
22 nd July	St Mary Magdalene	Love	Luke 24 v1-10
25 th July	St James	Following Jesus	Mark 5 v21-43