



SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN BOARD OF EDUCATION

Developing Church of England Education

We are delighted to introduce you to the Southwark Diocesan Board of Education.

The Southwark Diocesan Board of Education is proud to support 104 schools and academies, colleges, and universities across our diverse and vibrant Diocese.

Church Schools are for everyone. Our vision for education in our schools and academies, colleges and universities reflects the wider Anglican concern for the well-being of everyone entrusted to our care.

The outworking of our Christian faith, identity and ethos is to serve the needs of young people and their families in the community as a whole. This has been the commitment of our Church Schools since their foundation, and will continue to be so, by God's Grace, into a hopeful future.

From our offices nearby Southwark Cathedral the superb SDBE staff team are dedicated to providing excellent training, professional advice, resources, guidance and pastoral support. We aim to ensure that our school leaders, governors and chaplains are equipped to give the 37,000 young people in our care the best possible education and life chances.

Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools (SIAMS) and OFSTED inspection outcomes place us as one of the highest performing Diocesan Boards of Education nationally, with our diocesan schools' performance consistently above national averages.

Support for new Headteachers;

We provide the following benefits and support to our new Headteachers;

- An experienced Church of England Headteacher mentor for your first year of headship;
- A comprehensive induction programme of leadership seminars, covering themes such as;
 - The distinctiveness of Church Schools
 - Religious Education and Collective Worship
 - Working with Governors
 - Safeguarding for school leaders
 - Staff appointments, contracts and pay
 - Admissions and appeals
 - Budgets and school buildings.
- Regular Headteacher meetings, updates and information;
- A comprehensive programme of continuing professional development. A list of current courses is available on our website at: <https://education.southwark.anglican.org/4600/training-courses>

For further information, please explore our website at: <https://education.southwark.anglican.org/>

If you would like further information about leading in a Church of England school please contact Marcus Cooper, Assistant Diocesan Director of Education on Marcus.cooper@southwark.anglican.org