



Faith Committee Terms of Reference

Purpose

The purpose of forming a Faith Committee is to ensure that the distinctiveness and effectiveness of a church school is maintained and enhanced.

Membership

Headteacher/Deputy Headteacher, Vicar, two Governors and the Family Support Worker.

The group may on occasions co-opt other members of the school community such as pupils, church members, or other members of staff. RE subject leader will be invited to report at committee meetings where relevant.

Terms of Reference

- (a) To preserve, protect and develop the school's Christian ethos and ensure that this informs, permeates and impacts upon all aspects of school life.
- (b) To keep under review the Statutory Inspection of Anglican & Methodist Schools (SIAMS) self-evaluation toolkit.
- (c) To monitor the impact of provision under the key questions of the SIAMS toolkit (eg, questionnaires, interviews, RE subject leader reports, lesson observation feedback).
- (d) To monitor the impact of Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural development in the school.
- (e) To address any developmental issues from the previous SIAMS Inspection.
- (f) To provide a forum for robust professional discussion amongst a group of stakeholders around aspects of being a church school including the relationship between Christian values and British values and community cohesion.
- (g) To keep under review policies for Religious Education and collective worship and Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural development and advise on the implementation of these policies (eg, RE syllabus, planning of school worship etc).
- (h) To foster and develop links between the church, the school (including the school chaplain, where appropriate) and The Diocese.
- (i) To maximise the use of SDBE resources (eg, advisory support, use of SDBE website, the SDBE training programme).
- (j) To report to the Governing Body the Committee's recommendations