



## Training and Development courses for Governors in church schools 2025-26

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Governance	
<p><b><u>Being a Governor in a Church School</u></b> 4.00 – 5.30pm via Zoom</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monday 26 January 2026</li> <li>Tuesday 5 May 2026</li> </ul>	<p>For all governors in a church school</p> <p>Free</p>
<p><b><u>Monitoring for Governors: General</u></b> 4.00 – 5.30pm via Zoom</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tuesday 20 January 2026</li> </ul>	<p>An overview of a variety of monitoring ideas, to enable governors to gather and interpret information from a range of sources, giving them a clear picture of their school and supporting school improvement.</p> <p>Free</p>
<p><b><u>Monitoring for Governors: Sessions</u></b> 4.00 – 5.00pm via Zoom</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Pupil premium</a> - Thursday 4 December 2025</li> <li><a href="#">SEND</a> - Tuesday 3 February 2026</li> <li><a href="#">Religious Education</a> - Monday 2 March 2026 (with Rachel Cutts, Diocesan Schools' Adviser)</li> <li><a href="#">SIAMS</a> - Tuesday 17 March 2026</li> <li><a href="#">Curriculum</a> - Thursday 14 May 2026</li> <li><a href="#">Equality, Diversity &amp; Inclusion</a> - Thursday 25 June 2026</li> </ul>	<p>These bitesize sessions will look at specific areas of monitoring for governors</p> <p>Free</p>
<p><b>Bespoke Governor Training</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>On a date of your choice in school</li> </ul>	<p>Free - please contact <a href="#">Jacqui Studd</a>.</p>
Leadership	
<p><b><u>Chairs of Governors Forum</u></b> 4.00 – 5.00pm via Zoom</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tuesday 25 November 2025</li> <li>Thursday 19 March 2026</li> <li>Tuesday 23 June 2026</li> </ul>	<p>An opportunity for Chairs to meet to discuss issues and challenges in schools.</p> <p>Free</p>
<p><b><u>Small Schools Forum</u></b> 4.00 – 5.30pm via Zoom</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><del>Monday 20 October 2025</del></li> <li>Tuesday 24 February 2026</li> <li>Thursday 21 May 2026</li> </ul>	<p>For Heads, Chairs and Governors to meet to discuss the issues and challenges facing small schools.</p> <p>Free</p>

<b>Religious Education/Collective Worship</b>	
<b><u>RE in our church schools</u></b> 4.00 - 5.30pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monday 8 September 2025</li> <li>Wednesday 7 January 2026</li> </ul>	For Governors: what is RE, how should it look in a church school and monitoring RE  Free
<b><u>Spiritual Development in Primary Schools</u></b> 9.30am – 12.00pm via Zoom <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wednesday 19 November 2025</li> <li>Wednesday 11 March 2026</li> <li>Wednesday 24 June 2026</li> </ul>	Suitable for heads, SLT, teachers, governors, clergy, curriculum leads  Governors free
<b><u>Bible Course (8 part course)</u></b> 3.45 - 5.15pm via Zoom <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Session 1 - Thursday 15 January</li> <li>Session 2 - Thursday 22 January</li> <li>Session 3 - Thursday 29 January</li> <li>Session 4 - Thursday 5 February</li> <li>Session 5 - Thursday 12 February</li> <li>Session 6 - Thursday 26 February</li> <li>Session 7 - Thursday 5 March</li> <li>Session 8 - Thursday 12 March</li> </ul>	For Heads and governors. Whether you are new to the Bible or have read it for years, this eight part course is designed to help you make sense of it all - from Genesis to Revelation.  Delivered by Revd Laura Mumford, Diocesan Growing Younger Enabler and Jane Sheat, Diocesan Director of Education.  <b>Deadline for bookings: 15 December 2025</b>  Free.
<b>SIAMS / Ofsted</b>	
<b><u>SIAMS: are you ready?</u></b> 9.30am – 3.15pm via Zoom unless stated <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tuesday 21 October 2025 (Debenham High School)</li> <li>Tuesday 10 February 2026</li> <li>Tuesday 9 June 2026</li> </ul>	Headteachers, RE Subject Leaders, Collective Worship Co-ordinators, Foundation Governors and Clergy are welcome to this introduction to the new SIAMS Framework  Governors free
<b><u>Ofsted training</u></b> 1.30 – 3.00pm via Zoom <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Thursday 27 November 2025</li> </ul>	This session for Headteachers and governors will cover how best to prepare for an Ofsted inspection and how to make the most of the inspection.  Led by Heather Hann, Head of Professional Development, Diocesan MAT, Jane Sheat, DDE and Holly Marchand, Head, Worlingham CEVCP  Governors free

## Booking

All courses are booked via Jacqui Studd, Education Administrator:

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## Course costs

Governor training is free

## Cancellation and non-attendance

If you are unable to attend a course please contact: [jacqui.studd@cofesuffolk.org](mailto:jacqui.studd@cofesuffolk.org)

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