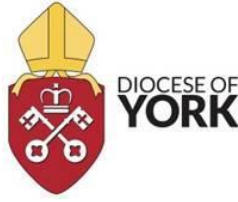


# OUR DIOCESE



York Diocesan Board of Education supports 123 Church of England schools and academies in the area from the Humber to the Tees. We have a dedicated team of professionals who offer a wide range of expertise and can help schools access further assistance.

The Education team aims to:

- Be available as a 'one-stop shop' for pastoral and professional support;
- Work with a range of agencies to promote school improvement;
- Promote excellence and Christian distinctiveness;
- Provide and facilitate professional development and governor training;
- Help schools and academies network, collaborate together and share best practice;
- Offer a Total Property Management scheme in association with DBE Services Ltd;
- Guide schools on matters concerning trusts;
- Work with schools exploring Academy conversion;
- Involvement in recruitment processes for new Headteachers/Heads of School;
- Support Headteacher appraisal;
- Represent Church of England education to the wider church community and more widely to the public;
- Maintain contact with the local authorities and the Regional Directors.

*The Rt Revd Paul Ferguson, Bishop of Whitby and Chair of the Diocesan Board of Education, said:*



“Our schools and academies are a vital part of the mission of the Church of England in the Diocese of York. Staff and governors are strongly committed to their communities, and in many cases the influence of church schools can only be described as transformative.

We strive to offer our young people the very best in every aspect of education, including encouraging them to mature spiritually and to understand how faith informs good relationships and responsible citizenship. We aim for our schools to be places where the love of God in Christ is truly reflected.

If these aims and values resonate with you, we hope that you will consider applying to come to St Oswald's CE Primary School to lead our school into the next phase of its life”.



*Andrew Smith, Diocesan Director of Education, said:*

"As a diocese, we are here to help celebrate and strengthen the Christian ethos in our schools. We understand that each school is unique and our aim is to get to know our schools on an individual basis in order to foster the local parish and community links as far as possible.

As such, our Education Team offers a range of support to our headteachers from both a school distinctiveness and effectiveness point of view, as well as providing a range of training and development opportunities for staff and governors to access over the course of each year. In a rapidly changing educational landscape, we are more and more involved in wider school development, particularly as schools change from one school status to another.

I do hope that you feel able to apply for the position of headteacher and we would look forward to welcoming you as part of our diocesan family here in the Diocese of York".