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Dear Colleagues,

Welcome to the November 2022 Information Flyer. We hope you'll find the following items of interest to you and your school. **Please circulate to all staff and particularly subject leaders.** 

For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us; And the government will rest on His shoulders; And His name will be called Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6

The verse from Isaiah foretells the coming of Jesus, God incarnate. It reminds us of the period of advent and the anticipation of this special gift given to the world from God. We should not lose sight of this gift, the teachings he provided for us and the direction or pathways we should try to tread. This is particularly so in a world at times that seems in free fall, where war rampages on, climate change is taking its toll and we at times may lose sight of the light of Jesus Christ in our life.

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**1. POP UK - Christmas songs with style & substance** 



FULL VERSIONS AVAILABLE FROM OUR

## FREE SONG BANK

PROVIDING PRIMARY SCHOOLS WITH SINGING RESOURCES THAT ARE

INCLUSIVE

Lyrics that teach life-affirming values for children from all backgrounds

### DISTINCTIVE

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Songs specially written in a contemporary, appealing pop style with accompanying video lessons

### RELEVANT

Songs that cover a range of themes that matter to children

### ACCESS ALL SONGS & RESOURCES FREE

Do take the opportunity to explore our <u>Christmas library</u> containing more songs and video lessons, ideal for an end of school parent assembly.

We always enjoy hearing from you. Please <u>email us</u> if you need further information or help.

2. ABYYT - Advent Resources & Young Leaders Award programme

New free resource for Advent this year: **'Follow the Star – Advent Journeys'** is available for pre-order here: <u>https://www.abyyt.com/advent</u>



**ALSO** - Information webinars still running about the **Young Leaders Award programme** and schools can sign up to find out more here: <u>www.abyyt.com/events</u>.

3. The Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham – What's on offer

The schools' team at Walsingham offer some wonderful experiences – visits, resources, and special events. These can support your RE curriculum and more.

https://www.walsinghamanglican.org.uk/youngpilgrims/schools-department/

TO NOTE - the next RE Local Leaders meeting on 30/1/2023 is being hosted at the shrine for RE leads to experience what they offer first hand. <mark>TO BOOK: <u>https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/315474070437</u></mark>



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4. Journeys for Learning – Janet Marshall



Just what *do* we need to get to grips with in KS1&2 RE for the meaning of Advent & Christmas for Christians?



Starting to look at planning for those seasonal, Local Agreed Syllabus RE enquiry questions? Want to 'pep up' your teaching?

Why not have the 'Journey through Advent & Christmas' workshop in your school?

Please see <mark>attached flyer</mark> for more information or email to find out more: janet@journeysforlearning.co.uk

5. Christmas/Easter/Parable – Springs Dance Company

#### Please see attached flyers for more information on:

- A Christmas Story: Refugee
- The Easter Project
- **PARABLE** INTERACTIVE Performance Workshop

Available now for schools to book. These workshops provide a fantastic way for pupils and staff to engage with RE in an exciting way through movement and creativity.



To book or for a friendly chat about what we can do for your school call us on - 07775 628 442 email: touring@springsdancecompany.org.uk <u>www.springsdancecompany.org.uk/productions/parable</u>

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6. NPQs reminder for February 2023 – sign up for Diocese of Norwich programmes by end of the year!

Teachers and school leaders' information webinar **3.30-4.30pm Thursday 8 December** – see attached flyer with joining instructions.

From February 2023 the Diocese of Norwich / St Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Multi Academy Trust are offering– Early Headship Coaching Offer (EHCO), NPQs – Headship (NPQH), Leading Teacher Development (NPQLTD), Leading Behaviour and Culture (NPQLBC), Leading Teaching (NPQLT) and Senior Leader (NPQSL).

- For information about any of the courses, please click on the following link: <u>Overview of NPQs - Foundation For Educational Leadership (cefel.org.uk)</u>
- Applications can be made via the CEFEL website: <u>NPQs - Foundation for Educational Leadership (cefel.org.uk)</u>

For more information contact Neil Henery neil.henery@dioceseofnorwich.org

7. Holocaust Memorial Day – 27 January 2023 – 'Get involved'

#### THE HOLOCAUST AND GENOCIDE

Holocaust Memorial Day is the day for everyone to remember the millions of people murdered in the Holocaust, under Nazi Persecution, and in the genocides which followed in Cambodia, Rwanda, Bosnia, and Darfur.

There are lots of <u>free resources</u> online to help you lead assemblies, activities, or lessons with students.

Contact the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust Senior Education Officer today for help and support and to get started: <u>education@hmd.org.uk</u>

Add your school to the HMD map here to share your involvement. www.hmd.org.uk

8. Diocesan Advent Calendar 2022

On Sunday 27 November (Advent Sunday) the new Diocesan digital advent calendar 2022 was launched.

Each door opens to a series of reflections written by Revd Susanna Gunner celebrating different ways of reaching out in loving concern. Each story explores pastoral concern as we head into the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of the Diocesan vision – Transformed by Christ: prayerful, **pastoral**, prophetic.

People have contributed from across the diocese, and it would be great to see many of us sign up to receive this online calendar as we journey through advent together.

Please do sign up here: www.DofN.org/advent

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9. Training 2022/2023 – Don't forget to book your place

Are You SIAMS ready training?

16 January 2023

The SIAMS inspection process is changing, from September 2023 a new Inspection Framework will be introduced and a move to judgement base inspections rather than graded. There are some significant changes to the process that schools need to be aware of. If you think your school is likely to be inspected in 2023-24 then this course is essential for you! It will take you through the new framework, consider the implications and actions for your school and help you prepare the summary SEF and evidence base you will need. TO BOOK: <u>https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/315262688187</u>

The summary of all training courses can be viewed here



## 10. Footprint's newsletter – Themes 2023

#### Diocesan Education Footprints newsletter

Each edition of Footprints aims to include good practice and good news stories from a range of schools and academies. Here's future planned themes:

### Feb – 2023 – Racial justice

#### April – 2023 – The journey to net zero carbon by 2030

#### June – 2023 – Nursery and early years provision

If you feel your school would like to write an article on one of the above themes, accompanied with an image/s, please consult your Head Teacher, AGEP or Suzannah Kay in the first instance before liaising with **Holly Davy via email:** <u>holly.davy@dioceseofnorwich.org</u>