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Training and Development courses for governors in church schools 2026-27

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Courses and Forums for Governors	
RE in our church schools 4.00 – 5.30pm via Zoom • Thursday 3 September 2026	For Governors: what is RE, how should it look in a church school and how to monitor RE Free for governors
Ofsted training 1.30 – 3.00pm via Zoom • Thursday 1 October 2026	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, Drew Quayle, DDE and Lesley Etchingham, Head, Chelmondiston CofE Primary Free for governors
Being a Governor in a Church School 4.00 – 5.30pm via Zoom • Monday 5 October 2026 • Tuesday 12 January 2027 • Thursday 22 April 2027	For all governors in a church school Free for governors
SIAMS: an overview 4.00 – 5.30pm via Zoom • Wednesday 7 October 2026	For governors. Learn about the SIAMS framework and how you can support the school Free
Small Schools Forum 4.00 – 5.00pm via Zoom • Tuesday 13 October 2026 • Tuesday 2 February 2027 • Tuesday 18 May 2027	For Heads, Chairs and Governors to meet to discuss the issues and challenges facing small schools. Free for governors
SIAMS training 9.15am – 12.15pm via Zoom unless stated • Tuesday 20 October 2026 (Venue tba) • Thursday 10 June 2027	Headteachers, RE Subject Leaders, Collective Worship Co-ordinators, Foundation Governors and Clergy are welcome to this introduction to the new SIAMS Framework Free for governors
Spiritual Development in Primary Schools 9.30am – 12.00pm via Zoom • Thursday 5 November 2026 • Wednesday 3 March 2027 • Tuesday 25 May 2027	Suitable for heads, SLT, teachers, governors, clergy, curriculum leads Free for governors
Annual Church School Leaders' Conference 9.30am – 4.00pm • Thursday 19 November 2026	For Heads, Deputies, Chairs and Governors Venue: Ip-City, Ipswich Free for governors
Chairs of Governors Forum 4.00 – 5.00pm via Zoom • Thursday 26 November 2026 • Tuesday 16 March 2027 • Thursday 24 June 2027	An opportunity for Chairs to meet to discuss issues and challenges in schools. Free

Collective worship in church schools 4.00 – 5.00pm via Zoom • Tuesday 26 January 2027	For Governors: how to support collective worship in school and monitor Free for governors
Bespoke Governor Training On a date of your choice in school	£200.00 – if schools subscribe to the Schools' Choice Governor training package, governors are entitled to receive one whole governing body training session each school year. Please contact Jacqui Studd

Booking

All courses are booked via Jacqui Studd, Education Administrator:

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All prices quoted are per person.

Course costs

- **Full day courses - £120 for subscribing church schools; £240 for other schools**
- **Half day courses - £60 for subscribing church schools; £120 for other schools**
- **Twilight courses - £30 for subscribing church schools; £60 for other schools**
- **Governors training free**

Where schools book more than one delegate on the same half day or full day training, each additional delegate will receive a 50% discount.

Payment

An invoice will be emailed following the training.

Cancellation and non-attendance

If you are unable to attend a course please contact: jacqui.studd@cofesuffolk.org

or call 01473 298570.

For face to face training, we require 48 hours' notice for cancellations.