



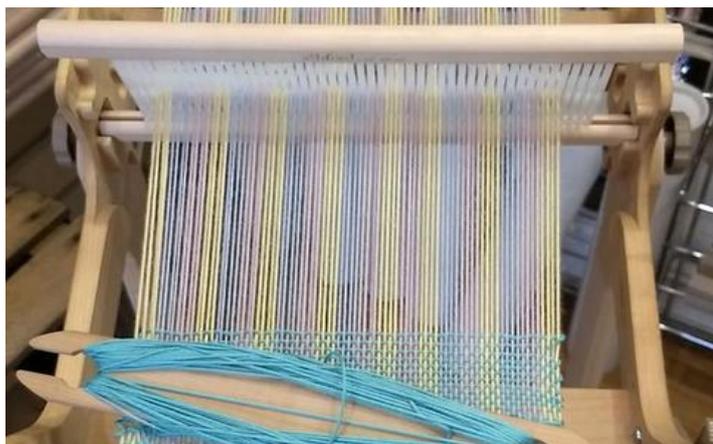
## From *Rt Revd Dr Nicholas Chamberlain, Bishop of Grantham,* Chair of the Board of Education –

Dear Friends,

I'm delighted to have this opportunity to write to you before the end of term. I mainly want to say a huge 'thank you' to everyone for your work this year, and especially for the extraordinary effort made by so many since the onset of the Covid-19 Pandemic. I know that September will be upon us very quickly and that there will be very many challenges even before then - but I also know that everyone involved in education in the Diocese of Lincoln will, as ever, continue to serve our young people with love, skill and great dedication.

We are all tired, and I hope that we might be able to find some time for a little rest over the summer: but I guess I am realistic enough to know that the holiday season is going to be as disrupted as everything else this year - and that in the face of the virus we will have to do as well as we can, drawing on our deepest reserves as we have already been doing over the last months.

One of our wisest twentieth-century religious leaders said the following, and I have been hanging on to her words: 'we must try to understand the meaning of the age in which we are called to bear witness. We must accept the fact that this is the age in which the cloth is being unwoven. It is therefore no good trying to patch. We must nurture, set up the loom on which coming generations may weave new cloth according to the pattern God provides'. This is



Mother Mary Clare who was an Anglican nun, living as part of the community of the Sisters of the Love of God in Oxford.

She was writing long before Covid-19, and she was speaking from, I suggest, an earlier experience of dislocation. During her lifetime, what had been natural and widespread - attending church for worship - became much more the personal choice of a more limited number of people. Why was this happening? Rather than allow despondency because of this reality, Mother Mary Clare suggested that we will find our way forward when we face things. And in unflinching, humble, attention, we will suddenly find ourselves alongside the God who is always ahead of us, because he is always alongside those who are most in need.

I find Mother Mary Clare's words inspiring. They encourage me to think that I might have something to offer as schools continue to provide learning for our children and young people. They encourage me to think that our society's struggle with racism, as also with human identity and sexuality, is a struggle that has to take place and in which I also have a part to play. They encourage me to think that the flame of prayer, with which I struggle on a daily basis, is a flame worth tending, because as I pray, I may actually also be holding a light for others.

May God bless you in all that you do and all that you are,

*Bishop Nicholas*

## Resources and Information

### Philosopher Queens – Angela Davis

Rebecca Buxton is soon to publish a book, called *Philosopher Queens*.

The book highlights the underrepresentation of women in the field of Philosophy, so it will be a useful resource to support schools to deliver the Philosophy elements of RE. In light of the global Black Lives Matter protests, she has made the chapter on Angela Davis available to all:

<https://www.thephilosopherqueens.co.uk/angeladavis>

### Called, Connected, Committed

Click [here](#) to view the latest from the Church of England Foundation for Educational Leadership.

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## HTPM and School Improvement Partner Service

More information about our Headteacher Performance Management and School Improvement Partner services can be found on our website, [here](#).

Booking forms should be returned to Tracy, [tracy.smith@lincoln.anglican.org](mailto:tracy.smith@lincoln.anglican.org)

## Diocesan Central Training Events – Autumn Term 2020

These will take place via Zoom. Please note the timings listed below are the most recent times and they have been updated since the publication of the Service Agreement Booklet.

For more details of the courses below and to book your places, please visit the diocesan education website [www.lincolndiocesaneducation.com](http://www.lincolndiocesaneducation.com) or e-mail [Tracy.Smith@lincoln.anglican.org](mailto:Tracy.Smith@lincoln.anglican.org)

Please note – new dates/times for the following:

16/11/20 Repeated on 17 <sup>th</sup> and 18 <sup>th</sup> November	Effective RE for a Broad and Balanced Curriculum <b>Bundle Session 2: RE Subject Knowledge</b>	16 Nov – 4pm to 6pm 17 Nov – 9am to 11am 18 Nov – 1pm to 3pm  These sessions are repeated.	<b>Early Bird £280</b> (for all 4 sessions in the bundle this year) £315 if booked after 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2020. (£500 if not in SLA)
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Date	Course title	Times	Costs per person (if school is in SLA)
15/09/20	<b>RE Cluster Meeting</b> with Gillian Georgiou	1.30pm – 2.30pm	FREE
15/09/20 Repeated on 16 <sup>th</sup> and 17 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Effective RE for a Broad and Balanced Curriculum <b>Bundle Session 1: Context of RE and Roles and Responsibilities</b>	15 Sept - 9am to 11am 16 Sept - 1pm to 3pm 17 Sept - 4pm to 6pm  These sessions are repeated.	<b>Early Bird £280</b> (for all 4 sessions in the bundle this year) £315 if booked after 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2020 (£500 if not in SLA)
29/09/20	<b>Governor Roles and Responsibilities</b>	9.30am to 12.30pm	<b>£70 for governors</b> £35 for clergy (£110 for governors if not in SLA)
06/10/20	<b>OfSTED Toolkit for Headteachers</b>	9.30am to 12.30pm	<b>£87.50</b>

			(£139 if not in SLA)
07/10/20	<b>Learning the Language of SIAMs</b> Morning input with an optional follow up bespoke meeting with SIAMs adviser	9.30am to 12.30pm	<b>£87.50</b> +£87.50 for optional follow up meeting (£139 per meeting if not in SLA)
08/10/20 and 22/10/20  2 half day sessions	<b>Headteacher Development Days Sessions 1 and 2</b> (This will be the equivalent of 1 day per big term. In the autumn, it will be two morning virtual sessions covering different content).	9.30am to 12.30pm	<b>£175 for the two autumn sessions.</b> (£280 if not in SLA) <b>£330 for equivalent of 2 days</b> (Autumn and Spring) £500 if not in SLA <b>£475 for equivalent of 3 days</b> (each big term) £790 if not in SLA
14/10/20	<b>RE Cluster Meeting</b> with Gillian Georgiou	1.30pm to 2.30pm	FREE
5/11/20  Now 2 half days instead of a full day	Developing Senior Leaders in Church Schools and Academies (Session 1 of 2)  Session 2 will follow in the Spring term	9.30am to 12.30pm	<b>£175 for sessions 1 and 2 together</b> (£280 if not in SLA)
TBC	Bishop's Visitor Conference	Timings to be confirmed	FREE
12/11/20	Autumn RE Surgery (45 minute slot)	9.00am to 9.45am 9.50am to 10.35am 10.40am to 11.25am 1.00pm to 1.45pm 1.50pm to 2.35pm 2.40pm to 3.25pm	FREE
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18/11/20	RE Cluster meeting	9.00am to 10.30am	FREE
25/11/20	<b>Learning the Language of SIAMs</b> Morning input with an optional follow up bespoke meeting with SIAMs adviser	9.30am to 12.30pm	<b>£87.50</b> +£87.50 for optional follow up meeting (£139 per meeting if not in SLA)

10/12/20	Church School's Carol Service	Hold the date – more details to follow	TBC
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If you have requests for further training or any questions about the training listed above, please e-mail [Tracy.Smith@lincoln.anglican.org](mailto:Tracy.Smith@lincoln.anglican.org)

We look forward to receiving your requests for training!